

Chapel by the Sea
Presbyterian Church (USA)
3rd Sunday of Advent
December 15, 2019



Chapel by the Sea was the first church on our island and remains a church for the community, welcoming all people seeking to know and serve Christ. We are a mission for Jesus Christ and church for all seasons...

...seasons of life

...seasons of the year

...seasons of our growth as Christians

A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

TOLLING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOCUS ON MINISTRY

Blue Christmas

Clif Hart

PRELUDE

Emmanuel with Veni Emmanuel

Bob McGee

MUSIC FOR ADVENT

Light of Light
Chancel Choir and Chapel Bells

Joel Raney

RESPONSIVE LITANY

Tom Swanbeck, Liturgist

One: Advent is a time to celebrate the joy of living

All: Lord of light, we thank you for the gift of life.

One: Advent is a time to celebrate the joy of relationships.

All: Lord of light, we thank you for our friends and family.

One: Advent is a time to celebrate the earth we all share.

All: Lord of light, we thank you for providing for our needs.

One: Advent is a time to celebrate eternal life.

All: Lord of light, we thank you for sending a Savior

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

Nick & Linda Dundee

**HYMN #28 (All Verses)*

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

IN DULCI JUBILO

CALL TO RENEWAL

Tom Swanbeck, Liturgist

And so we live our lives imperfectly, for we are flawed. But we are also loved by the God in whose image we were created. Let us remake ourselves toward that image as we make our confession before God and each other.

PRAYER OF RENEWAL (unison)

Tom Swanbeck, Liturgist

O Creator, promise for the world, hear our prayers during this time of waiting. We hear your call to journey toward the light, and yet we stumble. Our journey toward your promise of Christ's coming is filled with doubt, pain and often despair that there is meaning in the waiting. Our losses, our worries overtake us, so that we dwell in darkness rather than moving toward the light. Create in us the thread of hope that pulls us forward from promise to the miracle of new life. Create in us a clean spirit so that our journey is no longer weary, but filled with the energy of adventure! As the Christ child comes, so we, too, come back to you this day. Amen.

. . . . time for silent confession

GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS

Tom Swanbeck, Liturgist

In Jesus Christ, we are set free and our sins are forgiven!

Our thanks be to God!

**GLORIA PATRI*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. A – men, A – men.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Dr. Adkison

PRAYER OF BLESSING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us
this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our
debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For
thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERTORY

My Soul In Stillness Waits

Marty Haugen

Solo: Kristen Nelson

**DOXOLOGY*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

ANTHEM

What Child Shall Come
Chancel Choir

Patrick M. Liebergen

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:46-49

Dr. Adkison

*May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart
be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.*

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Mary’s Song”

Dr. Adkison

PASTORAL PRAYER

**HYMN #40 (All verses)*

Joy to the World!

ANTIOCH

**BENEDICTION*

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE*

Go Now in Peace

D. Besig

**POSTLUDE*

Angels We Have Heard On High

French Melody

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A Service of Healing

A Service of Healing will follow the 10:00 a.m. service at the front of the Sanctuary. This service of prayers for healing reflects our belief that God’s purpose for us all is a life of wholeness for our mind, body, and spirit. The ministry of healing is an integral part of our Christian witness. So, too, our prayers are complementary to the work of medicine and other forms of healing, which are also channels of God’s loving and transforming purpose. All are welcome to share in this ministry to pray for themselves or for another person or situation. There will be an opportunity for those who wish to come forward to share in the laying-on of hands, anointing with oil, and a brief moment to share concerns privately with the Pastor. Our hope is that as a Christian community all who attend will feel God’s acceptance, love, and this will sustain us in our process of healing.

Christmas Services at Chapel by the Sea

A Blue Christmas Worship Service: When Christmas Hurts — Thursday, December 19, 7:00 p.m. Blue Christmas recognizes that this season, full for many with holidays and rejoicing, can be hard for those who mourn and for those going through painful passages in their lives. In this service, we recognize that not everyone feels joyful. We acknowledge our sadness and burdens, while seeking peace and comfort for our souls. All are welcome to this service of quiet music, reading and reflections. Invite friends and family who may find comfort with us here at Chapel by the Sea.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services — Regular Candlelight Services will be held on December 24 (Christmas Eve) at 7:00 p.m. & 9:00 p.m. at Chapel by the Sea.

Weekly Announcements

GLAD Kids — Chapel is again sponsoring a toy drive for GLAD. GLAD Kids Early Learning Center provides early education to all children; while focusing on raising financial support for children of low-income working families. This year the toys will be part of the Heights Center Christmas Outreach Day. The donated gifts will be set up like a store and parents will be invited to choose gifts for their children. The classrooms will have Holiday parties but Santa will not be passing out the gifts. There are presently 92 children enrolled at GLAD from infants up to four years old with 24 staff. Gift suggestions are: Legos, educational toys, dolls, coloring sets, Disney toys, books and board games. Any donated gifts will be appreciated. Donations may be brought to the Chapel library and placed on the table just inside the door by December 17.

God's Table & Community Cooperative Christmas Meal — The annual God's Table Christmas meal will be on Friday, December 20 at 12:00 p.m. at Chapel by the Sea. In support of the holiday food drive for the needy, we have placed boxes in the Narthex and Silver Hall for your donations of non-perishable food. Items needed: canned chicken, canned tuna, canned pasta (Ravioli, Beefaroni, etc.), cereal, canned soups, juice boxes, and fruit or pudding cups.

Living Gift Market — Join us in Silver Hall today for Living Gift Market at 9:00 a.m. or after Worship. Market closes at 12 noon. Give a gift of love and hope that keeps on giving. Choose a gift in the name of a friend, a family member, or a loved one from one of the selections from the Living Gift Market. Medical Benevolence Foundation, Presbyterian Mission Agency, Habitat for Humanity or God's Table.

Music — Snowbirds Welcome! (and Residents, too)! Come join the choir and discover the joys of singing praises to God! Practice on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.

Flowers — Order a floral arrangement for Sunday Worship to honor a life-cycle event, to mark a special anniversary, and/or to remember a loved one. Each arrangement is \$25.00. Stop by the office, call, or email to let us know how you would like the acknowledgement worded.

Chapel by the Sea Online — Go online at www.chapelbts.org to check out the Chapel Calendar and more! Check out the Chapel Facebook page for pictures and upcoming events!

Coffee Hour — Everyone is welcome to enjoy coffee, snacks and fellowship after the Worship Service.

On-Going Activities at Chapel by the Sea

Children's Church/Nursery — Sunday mornings at the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

Solomon's Porch — Tuesdays, Chapel Library from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

YOGA — The class meets on Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., Session Room of Silver Hall. Research shows that YOGA decreases stress, improves balance, and promotes better sleep.

Cub Scouts — Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in Silver Hall

Chapel Habitat Builders — The team's expertise includes siding (vinyl), painting (interior and exterior), demo, cleanup, accessorizing, and any number of other skills. No experience or special tools are required. They work Thursdays, leaving the rear of Chapel parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and returning to the Chapel by 3:30 p.m. Call Tom Means at (586) 915-0621 for more information.

Sew N Sews — Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Lunch at noon, bring a bagged lunch.

Immokalee Soup Kitchen — Chapel serves lunch at Immokalee Soup Kitchen on Friday, December 27. Sign-up sheets are available in Silver Hall.

Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group — Conducted by trained facilitators, 2nd Friday of each month, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. in the Library of Silver Hall. Contact Parish Nurse, Ann Fossum at (239) 463-3173 ext. 13 or ann@chapelbts.org

Healing Service — 3rd Sunday of each month after the Worship Service.

**The Week at a Glance...for a complete calendar, Go to
www.chapelbts.org**

Sunday, December 15

9:00 a.m.	Living Gift Market
9:00 a.m.	Special Music Rehearsal
9:15 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
11:00 a.m.	Healing Service
11:00 a.m.	Living Gift Market
11:15 a.m.	Coffee, Snacks & Fellowship

Monday, December 16

11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Bridge
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Tuesday, December 17

10:00 a.m.	Finance/Stewardship Committee
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Solomon's Porch
6:30 p.m.	Cub Scout Meeting

Wednesday, December 18

10:00 a.m.	Bell Rehearsal
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	YOGA
11:00 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
12:00 p.m.	Special Music Rehearsal
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Stated Session Meeting

Thursday, December 19

7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Habitat for Humanity
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Sew N Sews
11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Bridge
7:00 p.m.	Blue Christmas Service

Friday, December 20

No Scheduled Events

Saturday, December 21

No Scheduled Events

Sunday, December 22

9:00 a.m.	Special Music Rehearsal
9:15 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
11:15 a.m.	Coffee, Snacks & Fellowship

***Weekly
Community
Events**

*AA, Room 5
Mon, Wed,
Thurs 7:30 a.m.

*AA, Room 5
Tues 8:00 a.m.
and 10:30 a.m.
(Women's Group)

*AA, Room 5
Tues 8:00 p.m.

*AA, Room 5
Thurs 8:00 p.m.

*AA, Room 5
Fri 8:00 p.m.

*AA/ALANON,
Room 5
Mon 8:00 p.m.

*God's Table
(Homeless
Outreach)
Mon – Fri
7:00 a.m.–8:30
a.m.

*St. Vincent de
Paul
Mon 9:00 a.m.–
10:00 a.m.

Prayer Guide — December 15, 2019

Please pray for...

- Ben Wallace – deployed Afghanistan
- The people of Samoa – measles epidemic
- Bill McFarland
- John Beal
- Kent Sneller
- Ada Beebe
- The Carters
- Jennie Angelini
- Dudley Moore
- Marie Moore
- Eileen
- Jackson
- Kathy
- Chris M.
- Brenda
- Mary Reilly
- Vann Turner
- Kate Mason
- Christopher M.
- Santoni Family
- Alex
- Mary Butler
- Carol Mason
- Kailin F.
- Donald Iverster
- Shirley Sturm
- Sue Sebby
- Kim McCallum
- The Bushnell Family
- Pat Murphy
- Bob Eubanks
- Gwen Green
- Barbara
- Christopher Blackmer
- Paul S.
- Kevin K.
- Mary Collins
- Steve Q
- Dean Guanli
- Jenny Bianco
- Dan Taylor
- Peggy Huff
- Tom S.
- Mollie Hillier
- Carole Magie
- Carolyn Davis
- Natasha
- Eric Petrie
- Emily
- Sherman
- Diane Wilson
- Debbie
- Maria Werner
- David Conrad
- Tim
- Michael and Jim
- Jake Neiman, USAF (deployed)
- Bev Mather
- Steve Bevens
- Barb & Dan Wickell
- Marge Foy
- R.J. & Family
- Andrew Stewart
- Bob Horning Family
- Drew Smith
- Nicole Fisher
- Karin, Cody
- Merlyn O'Malley
- Kelly Bynum & Family
- P. Vandlen
- Bob Allegier
- Darlene Guess
- Tievoli Spikes & Family
- Sue Glatz
- Jessica & Doug Grant & Baby Graelin
- Chris Sluyter
- Kathy Frazee
- Chris Foster
- LaCombe Families
- Craig & Laurie Furlong
- Rich & Nita Cusano
- Russ. C.
- Unspoken
- Golden Family in MD
- Alyssa Holte, USN (deployed)
- Joy Booth
- Joshua Stevens, USN Stateside

Ushers: Clif & Wanda Hart, Eileen Hoffman, Jim & Sondra Hunt, Jerry & Diane Lannoye, John Stanek

Greeters: Jack & Julia Palmer

Staff: The Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison, Pastor/Head of Staff (skypilot_mddiv@hotmail.com);

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Michael Melnikov, Director of Music/Organist

Ann Fossum, Parish Nurse (ann@chapelbts.org)

Denise Armstrong, Office Administrator

Holly Tribble, Administrative Assistant

Philip Jordan, Facilities Manager

Darren Harkulich, Sexton

Vacant, Audio/Visual Booth

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