

FOSTER-TUKWILA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

To know Christ and to make Him Known

December 17, 2023

Worship 10:30 am

GATHERING TOGETHER FOR WORSHIP

* A time of praise in song to begin the service [song insert]
The Life of the Body

WE GATHER BEFORE GOD

The Lord's Prayer
Call to Worship
* Songs and Hymns of Worship and Praise [song insert]

WE SHARE OUR GIFTS AND CONCERNS

Offering
* Prayer of Thanksgiving
Lighting of the 3rd Advent Candle
Junior Church
* Hymn #259 **Angels from the Realms of Glory** [song insert]
Doxology

WE RESPOND TO HIS WORD

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 89:19-37; 2 Samuel 7:5-16

David

* Hymn #286 **Once in David's Royal City** [song insert]
* Benediction
* Congregation Standing

Text for 4th Sunday of Advent, December 24, 2023:

Jeremiah 31

PastorRev. Aaron M^cGruder
Worship CoordinatorMicah Linscott
Youth DirectorHallie Michael
Office ManagerJenny M^cCoy
CustodianAdriana Cribb

December Missions Prayer: The Forrests (iTEE Global), The Genesis Project.

INFANT AND TODDLER CARE is available upstairs during the worship service for children up to kindergarten.

AUDIO HEADSETS AVAILABLE: If you need assistance in hearing the sermon, headsets are available on the wall above the bulletin table. Speak with an usher for help.

PRAYER SUPPORT: Do you have a special **prayer need** today? Following the service, **Prayer Support Team** members will be available up front.

TODAY: WELCOME CENTER: We are so glad you've joined us this morning. If you are new to FTFC, please visit our Welcome Center and pick up a Welcome Packet and an FTFC mug. *Please fill out the Connect Card in the packet and place it in the offering.*

OUR FINEST GIFTS: This year's Christmas Program will be a reprise of public offering of gifts (singing, dancing, public reading, art, etc.) held after church at **11:45 am today, December 17th**. We will be enjoying a Christmas cookie potluck upstairs, and we will present our gifts to the Lord as we eat.

THIS WEEK IN PREVIEW:

TUES:	WED:	THURS:	4 TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT:
4:30 pm: Bible Recap 6 pm: FTFC/ Lighthouse Youth 6:30 pm: YA Group	6:30 pm: Prayer Against Human Trafficking	7 pm: <i>The Longest Night</i>	10:30 am: Worship/Jr Church 8:30 pm: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Looking ahead

- **BIBLE RECAP GROUP:** Tuesdays, 4:30-5:30 pm.
- **FTFC/LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH:** Tuesdays, 6:00 pm.
- **YA GROUP:** Tuesdays, 6:30 pm.
- **PRAYTUKWILA:** 1st Wednesday at 1:00 pm @ Southcenter Community Baptist.
- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Alternate Wednesdays, 1:30 pm. *(resumes in January)*
- **SESSION:** 2nd Wednesday at 6:30 pm.
- **WORSHIP IT:** Last Wednesday at 7:00 pm. *(does not meet in December)*
- **PRAYER MEETING:** Thursdays, 10:00-11:00 am.
- **YOUNG ADULTS' BIBLE STUDY:** 1st & 3rd Thursday, 7 pm. *(resumes in January)*
- **WOMEN'S/MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** 2nd & 4th Thursday, 7 pm. *(resumes in January)*
- **PRAYER AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING:** 10 am 1st Thurs @ FTFC, 6:30 pm 3rd Wed at Barb Ivanov's home.
- **GOOD NEWS CLUB AT RIDGE CLIFF APTS:** 1st Saturday, 1:00-2:30 pm.
- **THE LONGEST NIGHT:** Thursday, December 21, 7:00 pm.
- **CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE:** Sunday, December 24, 8:30 pm.

ASYLUM SEEKERS AT RIVERTON PARK UNITED METHODIST: Session approved \$550 to be used towards the Amazon Wish List posted online. The following was purchased and has been delivered to RPUM as of the morning of Monday, December 4:

- Five 10-foot power cords with 7 outlets and surge protectors
- 250 55-gallon contractor grade plastic bags *(used by asylum seekers in MANY ways -Lisa & I saw some being used as ponchos Monday morning).*
- 20 high quality winter gloves *(10 medium / 10 large)*

Thank you church family! If you have further questions, please reach out to either Lisa or me. -John Forsyth

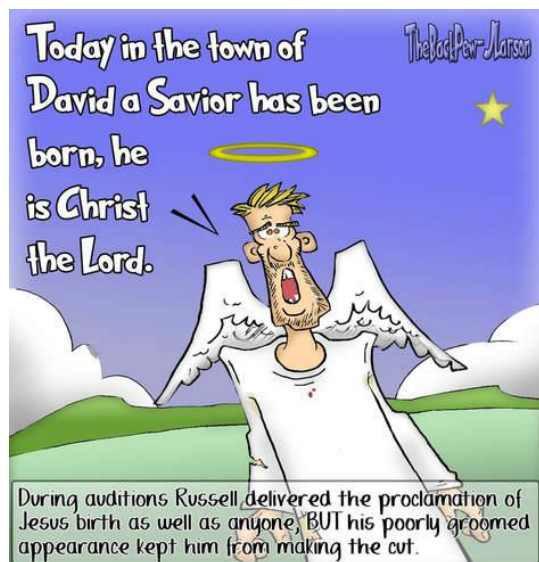
THE LONGEST NIGHT: This observance in the Advent Season marks the longest night of the year, Winter Solstice. We will be holding a service which honors people that are going through grief and loss, especially during the long nights just before Christmas. Included in the service is partaking of the Lord's Table, a time for expression of grief and pain, and a focus on the promise of hope. **Join us at 7:00 pm on Thursday, December 21, 2023**, as we incorporate this unique service into our Advent celebration.

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY: Cascade View Elementary School is looking for volunteers to read with children! Several teachers have volunteered interest in having people from church read to students. To be approved to volunteer sign up here: <https://www.tukwilaschools.org/get-involved/volunteer>.

COFFEE HOUR SIGN-UP: We could use some goodies for coffee hour, either homemade or store bought. It's helpful to have a good stock of packaged cookies for Sundays when contributions are light. **Talk with Adriana.**

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: The church office will officially be open Tuesday-Thursday from 1-6 pm or by appointment. **Contact Jenny or Aaron.**

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please submit announcements you wish posted to jenmccoy54@gmail.com by noon, Wednesday.



FOSTER-TUKWILA PRESBYTERIAN SESSION

FTPC ELDERS	IMPACT TEAM	FTPC ELDERS	IMPACT TEAM
Jenn Buyagawan '23	<i>Worship IT</i>	Donna Andrews '25	<i>Missions</i>
Ed Hougardy '23	<i>Facilities/ Making Disciples</i>	Barbara Ivanov	<i>Clerk of Session</i>
Isabelle Heier '24	<i>Bible Study</i>	Rev. Aaron McGruder	<i>Moderator/Budget</i>

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