

**HYATTSTOWN CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)**

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December 04, 2022 Advent 2 Sunday (Year A)

Rev. Monica Banks – Pastor



PRELUDE :	Matt Dohm
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Elder
MISSION STATEMENT	
OPENING PRAYER	Rev. Banks
ADVENT CANDLE MOMENT	Beth Sweeney
*HYMN: "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" #140 v1,4	
Hail to the Lord's anointed, great David's greater Son! Hail in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun! He comes to break oppression, to set the captives free, to take away transgressions, and rule in equity. To him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend, his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end. The tide of time shall never his covenant remove. His name shall stand forever; that name to us is Love.	
RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19	Liturgist
*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! Amen. Amen.	
FIRST READING: Isaiah 11:1-10	Liturgist
*GOSPEL READING: Matthew 3: 1-12	Liturgist
This is the Word of Our Lord: . . . Thanks Be To God	
HYMN: "People Look East" #142 v1,4	
People look east, the time is near of the crowning of the year. Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the table. People look east and sing today: Love, the Guest, is on the way. Angels announce with shouts of mirth him who brings new life to earth. Set every peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is coming, People, look east: Love, the Lord, is on the way.	
SERMON:	Rev. Banks
"What we don't see"	Matthew 3:1-12

PRAYER CONCERNS

Elder

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Banks

The Eucharist – the Giving and Receiving of Gifts

INVITATION AND RECEIVING OF OUR GIFTS

Elder

***THE DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Elder

COMMUNION HYMN:

#398

Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart; Savior, abide with us, and spread thy table in our heart.

There sup with us in love divine; thy body and thy blood, that living bread, that heavenly wine, be our immortal food.

We practice an Open Table!

All who believe are welcome to share the sacrament!

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Rev. Banks

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#389

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Elder

PARTAKING OF THE BREAD & THE CUP

THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

Elder

Our Father, which 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

***HYMN:** "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" #160

#160

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming from tender stem has sprung, of Jesse's lineage coming by faithful prophets sung; it came a flow'r-et bright, amid the cold of winter when half spent was the night. Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the rose I have in mind; with Mary we behold it, the virgin mother kind. To show God's love a-right she bore to us a Savior when half spent was the night.

BENEDICTION:

Rev. Banks

POSTLUDE:

Matt Dohm

Sharing in the spirit of fellowship (on Zoom)

All

SUNDAY PRAYER REQUESTS:

December 04, 2022 Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Capital Area Region, your Regional Board, your Regional Minister, Staff, and Volunteers
Phyllis Byrd, Kenya

November 27, 2022 Miranda asks prayers for Bob Burrows' family, wife Deb and son Matthew – Bob died this past week. Debbie Flook is happy to have her niece from North Carolina visiting with her today. Barb asked prayers for the Erhlers family, and wife Marge (w/cancer). And a joy that her grand-daughter (a nurse) turns 29 today. Joyce said her sister-in-law has COVID (Sherry) - prayers for the family.

November 20, 2022 Miranda asked prayers for Morse Wooster who died in a hit-and-run accident. He had introduced her parents to each other. Monica remembers the shooting in Colorado at an LGPTQ club, and Richmond VA 7th street church. Beth – prayers for Christina Stelljes - her mom with health issues and dad Pat. Gabrielle – prayers of sister Adelle who is looking for housing; and happy to have had a ballet class on Friday (and still sore from it). Deb Flook remembers all those travelling for Thanksgiving holidays, Deb Blair said her family is all gathering in Florida – traveling by car(s). Ginny is dealing with various ills.

November 13, 2022 Debbie asked prayers for her sister Doreen, who is facing health issues. Rebecca said her dad, Kory Fustle, has cancer. Barb's joy is that she was able to join this service today; and her knees are doing better. Hugh commented that the temperature in Driggs Idaho is 7 degrees (where Chuck and Pierrette are) - wishing them well.

November 6, 2022 Prayers for the celebration of the life of Martha Cooley – the service and luncheon will commence at noon today. Thanks for all who have helped with cleaning and setting up for the service.

A cure to cancer and those who are living with it: Dana Miller; Elaine Silver; Tammy Lynn; Mary Jodrie; Gillian Anderson; Fred Stockum; Ron Chalfant; Eddie's sister; Sharon Turman, David Stickerod, Bonnie and Hoody Geisbert.

December Celebrations:

Birthdays: 12/3 Nick Cooley, 12/4 Janet Reister, 12/20 Lorenzo York, 12/22 Hugh Howard, 12/22 David Smith, 12/25 Sharon Turman

Anniversaries: none listed



ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

December 04, 2022

Sermon Schedule

December 04, 2022 "What we don't see" Matthew 3: 1-12

Our Web Site: HyattstownChristianChurch.org

Our Region's Web Site: CCCADisciples.org

Wednesday Advent devotional Zoom sessions begin at 11AM

Blue Christmas – December 21st

Christmas Day Service (a Sunday) will be at 10AM

----- Mission Statement -----

"Hyattstown Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is the little church with the big heart. We are an Open and Affirming welcoming group of individuals seeking to bring God's love and service to our broader community, meeting people where they are."

CCLI—license numbers 20917473 & 20917480

SERVING SCHEDULE

Servers	December 4, 2022	December 11, 2022	December 18, 2022
Elder:	Debbie Flook	Gail Howard	Hugh Howard
Deacons:	P. McIntire	C. McIntire	W. Moore
Liturgist:	Chris Moore	Hugh Howard	Gail Howard

Attendance for November 27, 2022: 17(5-zoom)
November – General Fund Collection (w/o Zelle) – \$8641
Southside – \$2100, Thanksgiving – \$100
State Farm (Ins) – \$936.82, Building Fund \$11,000
Christmas Families – \$80, Cooley Memorial – \$600

Around the Church:

December 2022

I thought I would add this area as a way to update folks on a variety of items of interest, that you might not have heard of.

12/4/22—Work on Northside continues. A ‘lead’ test is scheduled to be performed in a week or so.

2nd Advent

Last Sunday we lit the first candle – the candle of hope. Today we light the second candle, the candle of peace. We light it knowing full well that peace is elusive, and in some parts of the world, it is almost completely absent. Yet in this season of Advent, we trust that God is never absent from us. God is always preparing something new. And even where there is war and discord, whether between countries, within families, or within our own hearts, God is present, gently leading us to new possibilities.

(Two candles are lit)

**All: Loving God, in this time of preparation and planning,
We thank you for the hope and peace you unfailingly
offer us.**

Show us the creative power of hope.

Teach us the peace that comes from justice.

Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you,

That we may walk in the light of Christ.