

# First Presby's Weekly News

## December 5, 2021

**Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.** (Worship is broadcast at 11:00 a.m. on WCHS-580AM)

**304-343-8961 | [www.firstpresby.com](http://www.firstpresby.com)**

**Text "firstpresby" to 73256 to give from your mobile device during the offertory.**



### WORSHIP LIVE ON YOUTUBE

Please note carefully: **Worship for this Sunday, December 5, will be live-streamed on YouTube.** Tune into our YouTube Channel at 10:30a.m. to view the worship service. The link to our YouTube channel will be emailed with the worship bulletin, hymns and Green Sheet on Fridays. This link is also available on our website ([www.firstpresby.com](http://www.firstpresby.com)) in the top right corner. The First Presby morning worship service will also continue to be broadcast on the radio WCHS-580AM at 11:00 a.m. every Sunday. Please make sure to subscribe to the channel so that you will be notified when we go live! You can do that by following these steps:

1. Go to [www.firstpresby.com](http://www.firstpresby.com)
2. Click on the red YouTube button
3. In the top right corner of the YouTube page, click the red SUBSCRIBE button.

Thank you!

### DECEMBER DIAPER DRIVE

The Mission and Witness Committee will be collecting diapers and wipes for the month of December that will go to benefit the Gabriel Project, one of our Mission Partners. Gabriel Project strives to provide immediate, practical and compassionate assistance to needy pregnant women and families with children two years of age and younger. They are asking diapers and wipes to be ordered from their Walmart and Amazon Wish Lists. If you need assistance ordering, please call the church office, 304-343-8961 or Candy Strader, 304-543-3040. The links are listed below.

Walmart: <https://www.walmart.com/registry/RR/09d25453-d4d3-45cf-80d4-b2b8492df7aa>

Amazon: [https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/l/1QRMINMYMTA/ref=smi\\_ext\\_lnk\\_lcl\\_cl](https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/l/1QRMINMYMTA/ref=smi_ext_lnk_lcl_cl)

Please have the diapers and wipes delivered to **1207 Jefferson Road, South Charleston, WV 25309.**

### FIRST PRESBY PRESCHOOL

#### **The Mitten Tree**

Our preschoolers are collecting children's Winter hats, scarves, and mittens to be placed on our Mitten Tree located at the preschool entrance. Items will be distributed to local elementary school students in need in January.

#### **Preschool Christmas Worship**

Please join us on Thursday, December 16 at 12:00 p.m. as the preschool students lead a very special worship service. Invite your family and friends! The children would love to see your face in the congregation as we celebrate the birth of Christ. Please note: To ensure the safety of our unvaccinated children in our preschool program, masks are mandatory for attendance to this event.

## CIVIC CHORUS WINTER CONCERT

The Charleston Civic Chorus presents their 2021 Winter Concert: **Yuletide Renewal** on Saturday, December 11. This free concert begins at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary at First Presby. For more information, contact Jayson Keeton ([jayson@firstpresby.com](mailto:jayson@firstpresby.com)).

## OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

Our church office is in need of a few volunteers to answer the phones and do simple clerical work in the mornings. If you feel called to serve in this capacity, please call Emily Burdette, Office Manager, at 304-343-8961 or email her at [emily@firstpresby.com](mailto:emily@firstpresby.com). Thank you!

## AMAZON SMILE & KROGER REWARDS

Kroger Rewards and Amazon Smile enable us to do important, time-sensitive ministry, items such as: a new freezer for Covenant House Food Pantry, a new desktop computer for a staff member whose computer had died, a banner to support frontline workers during COVID, a subscription for ZOOM services, and more. Please consider signing up for Amazon Smile and linking your Kroger purchases to benefit First Presby.

You can now support First Presby through Amazon Smile by ordering in the Amazon Shopping App! Here are 3 easy steps on how to turn on Amazon Smile benefits in the Amazon app.

1. Make sure that you have signed up to support First Presby through Amazon Smile.
2. Open the Amazon Shopping App and go to your account settings.
3. Click on Amazon Smile, and follow the on-screen instructions.

If you need assistance signing up for Amazon Smile or linking your Kroger Rewards Card, please contact Jenny Pitchford for more information at [jenny@firstpresby.com](mailto:jenny@firstpresby.com).

## ORCHARD MANOR MINISTRY

Wednesday Mornings, from 9:00 a.m. - noon, Pastor Myers will be at Orchard Manor helping to set up for their food distribution. He would love to take one or two people with him each week. If you're interested, call the church office to sign up. Pastor Myers will meet you at the church at 8:30 a.m. He'll treat you to lunch and have you back at the church by 12:30 p.m. If you have any questions contact Pastor Myers [pastormyers@firstpresby.com](mailto:pastormyers@firstpresby.com) or (304) 343-8961.

## PRESBYTERIAN COFFEE PROJECT

The Presbyterian Coffee Project, commonly known as the "coffee closet" is now open after worship. Linda Elliott will be there to assist you in your purchase. The coffee closet is fully stocked with delicious coffees, teas, chocolate bars, and nuts! Purchasing from the Presbyterian Coffee Project helps to provide a fair wage to farmers around the world.

## A NOTE FROM VANNESSA

Dear First Presby,

It is bittersweet to announce my departure as Communications Coordinator from the First Presbyterian Church staff. I have been blessed to serve God alongside you all for over six years and have made many, many friends along the way. Ben and I have made the decision for me to switch my focus to the ministry of our family, and to make the transition to being a stay-at-home mom and wife.

First Presbyterian Church has been with me through many changes throughout the last six years. You have seen me get married (in this sanctuary!), helped us welcome our sweet Jack into the world, and also have supported me through the tough times of losing our home in the flood, and losing my mom.

First Presbyterian Church will forever hold a special place in my heart, and will always remain in my prayers. I promise not to be a stranger, and to come back and visit as God allows. I love you all.

With love in Christ,  
Vannessa King

### THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBY

**Sunday, December 5** - *Second Sunday of Advent*

9:15AM Sunday School (Adults & Youth)

10:30AM **Worship** & Children's Church

11:00AM Worship broadcast on WCHS-580AM

11:30AM - 3:00 PM Hope Village Open

**Monday, December 6**

5:00PM Property Committee Meeting, E-117

**Tuesday, December 7**

10:00AM Staff Meeting - Ruffner Room

5:30PM Christian Education Committee Meeting

7:15PM Civic Chorus, Sanctuary

7:45PM Boy Scouts, Gym

**Wednesday, December 8**

6:30PM Deacons Meeting

**Thursday, December 9**

10:30AM Shepherd's Center Program, Dining Room

5:30PM Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

**Friday, December 10**

6:30PM Civic Chorus Rehearsal, Sanctuary

**Saturday, December 11**

7:00PM Civic Chorus Winter Concert

### Daily Scripture Reading

**Sunday, December 5** Luke 1:57-68

**Monday, December 6** Matthew 22:23-33

**Tuesday, December 7** Matthew 22:34-46

**Wednesday, December 8** Matthew 23:1-12

**Thursday, December 9** Matthew 23:13-26

**Friday, December 10** Matthew 23:37-39

**Saturday, December 11** Matthew 24:1-14



**Cookies & Cocoa**  
AT HOPE VILLAGE

*This Sunday*  
**December 5 | 11:30a.m.-3:00 p.m.**  
*First Presbyterian Church*

December 5 is the closing day  
for the Fair Trade Boutique, Hope Village, at First Presby.  
Come shop, eat cookies, and drink hot cocoa!

The poster features a light blue background with a string of red and green Christmas lights at the top. In the center, there is an illustration of a blue mug filled with white hot cocoa, topped with two gingerbread cookies and a red heart. The text is in a mix of red and black fonts, with the event title in a large, red, cursive font.