



ADVENT  
*Joy Revealed*

December 8, 2024

*Avon Lake Presbyterian Church*

32340 ELECTRIC BLVD.  
AVON LAKE, OH 44012

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### WELCOME

### PRELUDE

### INVITATION TO WORSHIP

### ADVENT READING

\*HYMN | #134 *Joy to the World*

### YOUNG-AT-HEART MESSAGE

\*HYMN | #159 *O Sing a Song of Bethlehem*

### CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

### PASSING OF THE PEACE

### ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE | [Luke 3:1-6](#) / [Philippians 1:3-11](#)

SERMON | Joy Shared is Joy Doubled

### \*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

\*HYMN | #94 *Now the Heavens Start to Whisper*

### \*OFFERING

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

\*Please stand

## NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST

- Mary Seib, Sandee Seib's mother is in hospice
- Kristian Bendoraitis' mother-in-law, Nancy Meabon, passed away November 27.
- David Unger, Carol & Joe's son, is in the hospital undergoing testing
- Larry Madson has a broken hip
- Lynn Morway's daughter-in-law, Rachel, passed away after a two-year battle with lung cancer

### TODAY'S MUSIC

GATHERING MUSIC	<i>Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring</i>	Johann Sebastian Bach Arr. John Carter
PRELUDE	<i>Joy to the World</i> <i>Sheep May Safely Graze, BWV 208, No. 9</i>	arr. John Carter & Mark Hayes Arr. Felix Scharpf
ADVENT	<i>Jesus, Our Brother, Strong and Good</i>	Johann Sebastian Bach 12 <sup>th</sup> Century French Carol Arr. Dan Forrest
HYMNS	#134 <i>Joy to the World</i> (ANTIOCH), verse 2 #159 <i>O Sing a Song of Bethlehem</i> (KINGSFOLD) #94 <i>Now the Heavens Start to Whisper</i> (JEFFERSON)	
ANTHEM	<i>On Christmas Night</i>	Dan Forrest
OFFERING/DOXOLOGY	#606 <i>Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow</i> (OLD HUNDREDTH)	
POSTLUDE	<i>Let There Be Peace on Earth</i>	Sy Miller & Jill Jackson Arr. Lori Line

## ***THIS WEEK***

***December 9-15***

### **MONDAY**

8:30 am Walking Group  
4:30 pm Music Monday!  
7 pm Deacons

### **TUESDAY**

9:30 am Church Staff Meeting  
10:30 am Ruth Circle

### **WEDNESDAY**

8:30 am Walking Group  
12 pm Bible Study  
6:45 pm Handbell Choir Practice  
8 pm Chancel Choir Practice

### **THURSDAY**

6:30 pm Yoga

### **FRIDAY**

8:30 am Walking Group

### **SATURDAY**

9 am Fix-It Day

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

9 am Christmas Breakfast  
10 am Worship  
11:45 am Calling All Angels  
4 pm Caroling  
6 pm Youth Revival

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

- Poinsettias will fill our Sanctuary next week. Order forms are available on the narthex table.
- You are invited to bring in an ornament to hang on our community Christmas tree. Ornaments will be returned after Advent.
- TrueNorth Cultural Arts will have their annual Christmas concert at ALPC on Saturday, December 21 at 7:30 pm. All are invited to attend this free event!
- The December issue of Saints Alive is available on the narthex table.
- In addition to our annual Christmas Eve candlelight service, we will have a shortened, family-friendly service. Come in your comfiest clothes and follow the path to Bethlehem through this interactive worship service.
- Please feel free to share any feedback, positive or negative, with Kenzi. Email: [alpresby@avonlakepc.org](mailto:alpresby@avonlakepc.org)

## ***IMPORTANT DATES***

- 12/15 Christmas Breakfast & Caroling  
12/20 Cornerstone Christmas Program:  
11 am  
12/22 Saints Alive articles due  
12/22 All Music Sunday  
12/24 Christmas Eve services:  
4:30 pm & 9 pm  
1/26 Congregational Meeting & Chili  
Cookoff

***If you would like to speak to any member of the ALPC staff or need counsel with our pastor, Kristian, please contact the church office.***

Regular Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9 am – 4 pm, Friday 9 am – Noon

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Pastor Kristian: [kristian@avonlakepc.org](mailto:kristian@avonlakepc.org)

## NOTES

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**PRAYER REQUESTS**



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