ST. ELMO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Presbyterian Church in America

Our purpose is to know, live out of, and proclaim the wonder of God's grace in Jesus.



November 3, 2024

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Rev. Daniel Wells, Pastor

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This Week at St. Elmo Presbyterian Church and Community November 3, 2024 and Live streaming on YouTube

<u>Today</u>

9:15am Sunday School for All 10:30am Worship Service

12:10pm First Sunday Potluck! Everyone stay for lunch and fellowship!

Monday November 4

Boy Scouts meet — Contact Ed Sunder or Mark Slavovsky 7:00pm CAHSE meets at 4501 St. Elmo Ave — Contact Cal Boroughs 7:00pm

November 5 <u>Tuesday</u>

10:00am Women's Bible Study and Prayer — Contact Amy Daugaard or Shelley Madueme

Wednesday November 6

Greens' Small Group meets — Contact Jay or Beth Ann Green 6:00pm

Wednesday Night Prayer Group meets — Contact Carol or Jim Wildeman Flintstone Small Group meets — Contact John or Kathy Tucker 7:00pm

7:00pm

November 7 <u>Thursday</u>

Men's Bible Study meets — Contact Jeff Hall 12:00pm

<u>Saturday</u> November 9

9:00am Choir practice for advent — Contact Jeff Hall or Darrell Stewart

Sunday School Nursery

November 3 Beth Ann Green and Rachel Himebook

November 10 Kathy Tucker and Kim Roberts

Worship Service Nursery

November 3 Carol Wildeman and Ashlee Wells/TBD **November 10** Kim Roberts and Lydia Mayberry

Little Lambs

November 3 **Iessica Novikoff and Kim Roberts** November 10 Jack and Barbara Beckman



The Advent and Christmas choir will practice on Saturdays, beginning November 9th.

We hope to sing during the Sundays of Advent. Everyone is welcome. Choir practice is at 9:00 for 1 hour.

Upcoming

November 10 Wedding Shower for Brooklyn Donatone and Samuel Sunder at the Greens' house

December 1 PCA Pastor and Widows' Relief Fund taken up

December 8 Annual Christmas Party @5:00pm

December 21 St. Elmo Stroll and Luminaria from 5:00pm to 9:00pm "Now love doesn't stop at death - or if it does, it's a pretty poor sort of love! In fact, grief could almost be defined as the form love takes when the object of love has been removed; it is love embracing an empty space, love kissing thin air and feeling the pain of nothingness. But there is no reason at all why love should discontinue the practice of holding the beloved in prayer before God." - N.T. Wright

Prelude

Announcements

Musical Preparation

JESUS WELCOMES US

Greeting

Call to Worship

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

Looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. (Hebrews 12:1-2)

Invocation

Hymn of Praise: "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" (#302)

JESUS HEARS OUR PLEDGE OF FAITH

Confession of Faith

"I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead;

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting, Amen."

(Apostles' Creed, 2nd Cent)

Songs of Response: "God Moves in a Mysterious Way" (#128) & "I Will Glory In My Redeemer" (Rejoice! #46)

JESUS RECEIVES OUR GENEROSITY

Offering of Gifts and Thanksgivings

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! Amen!

Covenant Children's Lesson

3 and 4 year-olds may go downstairs to Little Lambs

JESUS INTERCEDES FOR US

Intercessory Prayer & 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

JESUS SPEAKS HIS LOVE TO US

Prayer of Illumination

Reading of the Word: Daniel 8:1-27

Preaching of the Word: "Exiles in Babylon // Part 9 - When Will it End?" (Rev. Daniel Wells)

JESUS COMMUNES WITH HIS SAINTS

"Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?' I said to him, 'Sir, you know.' And he said to me, 'These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'" - Revelation 7:13-17

Congregational Response

"All saints, that are united to Jesus Christ their Head, by his Spirit, and by faith, have fellowship with him in his graces, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory: and, being united to one another in love, they have communion in each other's gifts and graces, and are obliged to the performance of such duties, public and private, as do conduce to their mutual good, both in the inward and outward man." (Westminster Confession of Faith XXVI.1)

JESUS SEALS HIS LOVE TO US

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Consecration

Sursum Corda

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord.

It is fitting and right to do so.

People of God, as you come to the table, what do you proclaim?

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come back again.

The Bread ("For All the Saints" see p.5) 1st & 2nd Stanzas)

The Cup ("For All the Saints" 3rd & 4th Stanzas)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

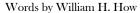
JESUS SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

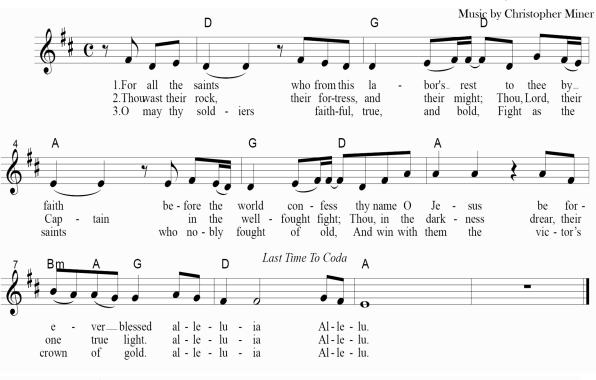
Hymn of Departure: ("For All the Saints" 5th & 6th Stanzas)

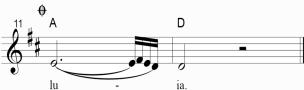
Benediction



FOR ALL THE SAINTS







- 4. The golden evening brightens in the west; Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest; Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest, alleluia. Allelu.
- 5. But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day; The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of glory passes on his way, alleluia. Allelu.
- 6. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, alleluia. Alleluia.

Please take this with you to pray for these individuals and groups this week: ☐ THE PERSECUTED CHURCH IN NORTH ■ Samuel Sunder KOREA (1), Russia, Ukraine ☐ Moses Taylor ☐ Luke Tinholt ☐ Pray for our faithful witness to our ☐ Rob, Elaine, John David, and Kate Tinholt neighbors ☐ The Mercy Ministry Group ☐ Ukraine ☐ Dan and Mako Gilchrist: ELI □ Israel ☐ The Bethlehem Center ☐ Covenant College ☐ The U.S. Supreme Court

We are Having a Wedding Shower for Brooklyn Donatone and Samuel Sunder next Sunday, November 10, 2024, at the Greens' House right after morning worship

Please bring a luncheon item to share. Brooklyn and Samuel are registered at theknot.com

Pray for the Persecuted Church in NORTH KOREA (1) (Russia, Ukraine)

TENSIONS RISING AS NORTH KOREA BLOWS UP SOUTH KOREA LINKS: TROOPS REPORTED IN RUSSIA

Source: MNN, October 25, 2024

North Korea recently blew up parts of roads and rail lines connecting to South Korea and built blockades. Eric Foley with The Voice of the Martyrs Korea says it's significantly straining relations with South Korea. Yet, despite the rising pressure, the Word of God is not bound by roads and borders. VOM Korea continues to send 40,000 Bibles a year into North Korea by any means possible. Read the full report at our website. Mnnonline.org/ news

"Since the inception of the countries and the end of the Korean War, North Korea has always"

had, as its stated goal, the reunification of the Korean peninsula under North Korean leadership, the leadership of the Kim family. As evidenced by the severed cross-border ties, Foley says, "Now North Korea has changed that goal.... It no longer wants to reunite with South Korea. It says it's a separate country, a separate people, an alien group, a puppet of the United States, and something that is outside of North Korea's goals for the future."

At the same time, North Korea has sent troops to Russia, possibly to fight in Ukraine. With the potential for North Korean troops to come back with modern combat experience, it's significantly straining relations with South Korea.

South Korea, for its part, has only supplied Ukraine with humanitarian aid but refrained from sending lethal weapons. However, South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol confirmed that if North Korean troops go to fight in Ukraine in cooperation with Russia, South Korea would consider arming Ukraine with defensive weapons and even possibly offensive weapons.

Despite the rising pressure on the Korean Peninsula, Foley reminds believers of our Gospel mission: There are still souls at stake.

- 1. Pray against a spirit of fear.
- 2. Ask God to open even more Gospel doors into North Korea.
- 3. Pray for the peace of Christ to change hearts.

Dan and Mako Gilchrist **Equipping Leaders International**

Praises

- ☑ for a fruitful trip to establish two new partnerships in East Africa: one in Tanzania and one in Kenya
- ☑ for a successful and encouraging ELI Annual Conference with a total of about 115 attendees
- ☑ for the Lord's sustaining and equipping grace for our family as we all travel, take on new responsibilities, and adjust to new routines

Prayer

- 1. for wisdom in planning and scheduling the coming year of ministry; wisdom as Dan takes on new stateside responsibilities
- 2. for a successful and fruitful year-end fundraising push for the coming year of ministry: our growing partnership with
- Bishop Gitonga in Kenya; establishing new partnerships; coordinating our various teams in East Africa
 3. for wisdom and skill in developing and changing roles in order to faithfully steward the increasing resources and growing organization of ELI

Save the Date: June 15-19, 2025

Mark your calendars and begin to pray for the fun-filled opportunity to serve and share about Jesus with our community. If you wish to help with the planning team, reach out to Brad Roberts or Amy Daugaard.

The Bethlehem Center Contact: Joni Harbert

<u>Prayer</u>

- 1. Pray for the students and families served by The Bethlehem Center. We pray that our programs will continue to meet their needs and provide the resources necessary, especially during uncertain times.
- 2. That God's hand will be upon the staff, board and volunteers of The Bethlehem Center and that Christ will be the center of everything we do in order to glorify Him and His work through them. for your information.

Exiles in Babylon Wisdom From Daniel and His Friends When Will it End? (Daniel 8:1-27)

Daniel 8:1-27 NIV 1984

¹In the third year of King Belshazzar's reign, I, Daniel, had a vision, after the one that had already appeared to me. ²In my vision I saw myself in the citadel of Susa in the province of Elam; in the vision I was beside the Ulai Canal. 3I looked up, and there before me was a ram with two horns, standing beside the canal, and the horns were long. One of the horns was longer than the other but grew up later. 4I watched the ram as he charged toward the west and the north and the south. No animal could stand against him, and none could rescue from his power. He did as he pleased and became great. ⁵As I was thinking about this, suddenly a goat with a prominent horn between his eyes came from the west, crossing the whole earth without touching the ground. ⁶He came toward the two-horned ram I had seen standing beside the canal and charged at him in great rage. 7I saw him attack the ram furiously, striking the ram and shattering his two horns. The ram was powerless to stand against him; the goat knocked him to the ground and trampled on him, and none could rescue the ram from his power. The goat became very great, but at the height of his power his large horn was broken off, and in its place four prominent horns grew up toward the four winds of heaven. 9Out of one of them came another horn, which started small but grew in power to the south and to the east and toward the Beautiful Land. oIt grew until it reached the host of the heavens, and it threw some of the starry host down to the earth and trampled on them. "It set itself up to be as great as the Prince of the host; it took away the daily sacrifice from him, and the place of his sanctuary was brought low. 12 Because of rebellion, the host of the saints and the daily sacrifice were given over to it. It prospered in everything it did, and truth was thrown to the ground. 13Then I heard a holy one speaking, and another holy one said to him, "How long will it take for the vision to be fulfilled-the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, the rebellion that causes

desolation, and the surrender of the sanctuary and of the host that will be trampled under-foot?" 14He said to me, "It will take 2,300 evenings and mornings; then the sanctuary will be reconse-crated." 15While I, Daniel, was watching the vision and trying to understand it, there before me stood one who looked like a man. ¹⁶And I heard a man's voice from the Ulai calling, "Gabriel, tell this man the meaning of the vision." ¹⁷As he came near the place where I was standing, I was terrified and fell pros -trate. "Son of man," he said to me, "understand that the vision concerns the time of the end." 18While he was speaking to me, I was in a deep sleep, with my face to the ground. Then he touched me and raised me to my feet. 19He said: "I am going to tell you what will happen later in the time of wrath, because the vision concerns the appointed time of the end. 20 The twohorned ram that you saw represents the kings of Media and Persia. ²¹The shaggy goat is the king of Greece, and the large horn between his eyes is the first king. 22 The four horns that replaced the one that was broken off represent four kingdoms that will emerge from his nation but will not have the same power. 3 "In the latter part of their reign, when rebels have become completely wicked, a stern-faced king, a master of intrigue, will arise. 44He will become very strong, but not by his own power. He will cause astounding devastation and will succeed in whatever he does. He will destroy the mighty men and the holy people. ²⁵He will cause deceit to prosper, and he will consider himself superior. When they feel secure, he will destroy many and take his stand against the Prince of princes. Yet he will be destroyed, but not by human power. 26 "The vision of the evenings and mornings that has been given you is true, but seal up the vision, for it concerns the distant future."27I, Daniel, was exhausted and lay ill for several days. Then I got up and went about the king's business. I was appalled by the vision; it was beyond understanding.

Sermon Notes for Kids

Today is _____

Who is the preacher today?

What is the scripture for today?



I was appalled by the vision; it was beyond understanding.

My favorite songs today:

The same Low is LORD of

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for,

"Whoever will call on the name

Of the Gold."



Welcome to St. Elmo Presbyterian Church pca

Sunday School for Children and Adults

Sunday School begins at 9:15am. Adults meet in the Adult Sunday School room downstairs and kindergarten through youth group begin in the Fellowship Hall for snacks before proceeding to their rooms in the Sunday School wing. Sunday School breaks for the summer months.

Little Lambs

Children from 3 through 4 years old can attend their own worship service downstairs after the offering is taken.

Nursery Available

Nursery is available during Sunday School and worship for babies and for toddlers until they are old enough for Little Lambs. If you can help us in our nursery, please contact: Lydia Mayberry. Also if you have any questions, please contact Lydia Mayberry.

Sign up to volunteer in the nursery at: stelmopres.org. Click on "Connect-Grow-Serve" then "Nursery..." then scroll down to Sign up for "Sunday Nursery...".

You can also go to: https://tinyurl.com/yp8trcc

High School and Middle School Youth Group

Youth Group meets Sunday nights from 6:00pm-8:00pm except for the first Sunday of each month.

<u>Christian Education Staff/Volunteers Contact</u> <u>Information</u>

- Nursery Director: Lydia Mayberry lydiakarstin@gmail.com, (423) 400-0506
- Director of Youth and Children's Ministry: Brad Roberts: brad.k.roberts@gmail.com, 704-776-0106



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Parking

Please do not park in front of driveways, or IN driveways, or in front of garages. Please try to park on the side streets and not on St. Elmo Avenue (painted bike lanes).

Also, park to the right of the road (in the direction you are going) so that you are not ticketed by the police.

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