

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF December 2, 2018

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

The Ringing of the Bell

WE GATHER INTO HIS HOLY PRESENCE

Gathering Song: *O Come All Ye Faithful*

Announcements: Mark Farrell, Youth Pastor

WE STAND IN AWE OF GOD'S HOLINESS

Advent Prayer: Jason & Leslie Pratt

Song of Praise: *Come and Stand Amazed*

Scripture Reading: Psalm 25:1-10

Song: *Advent Processional*, TCC Sanctuary Choir

WE ARE CONVICTED OF OUR SIN, AND OUR NEED OF SALVATION

Prayer of Confession: Word Made Flesh

WE CELEBRATE GOD'S REDEMPTION AND OUR RESTORATION

Song of Grace: *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

Song of Celebration: *Advent Hymn*

Affirmation of Faith: Advent Lover of the Earth

Offertory & Prayer

WE LINGER IN GOD'S PRESENCE AWAITING HIS WORD

The Children's Blessing

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7

Sermon: Lou Kaloger, Pastor

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD WITH THANKSGIVING

Song: *Prepare the Way of the Lord*

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Words of Institution: I Corinthians 11:23-26

Song: *What Feast of Love*

Song: *May Your Advent*

GOD SENDS US OUT

Benediction & Memorial Acclamation

Postlude

Sunday: First Sunday of Advent
Choir Rehearsal, 8:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Prayer, 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m.
Kids' Choir, Begins ten minutes after service
Alive Bake Sale Fundraiser, 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday: WOW (Women of the Word) Bible Study, 6:45 p.m.

Thursday: Koenig Martial Arts Class, 6:00 p.m.

Friday: Moms in Prayer Group (post high school), 8:15 a.m.
Alive Christmas Party, 7:00 p.m. in the Home of the Fields

Saturday: Men's Tool/Sports Exchange, 8:30 a.m.

Sunday: Metropolitan Ministry - Boxes of Hope Due
Sunshine Brass Band Holiday Concert, 7:00 p.m.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alive Bake Sale: The Alive Student Ministry will host a bake sale today in the Fellowship Hall. Pies, cakes, cookies and other scrumptious goodies will be available for a donation of any amount. All proceeds will benefit Coram Deo 2019. Thanks in advance for your support!

Men's Tool/Sports Exchange & Breakfast: Attention Men of TCC. Please join us Saturday, December 8th at 8:30 a.m. for the annual Men's Tool Exchange. Please bring an unwrapped gift of no more than \$20 in value; breakfast will be provided. Looking forward to a great time of fellowship and camaraderie!!

Sunshine Brass Band Holiday Concert: You are cordially invited to an evening of fine holiday and variety music featuring the Sunshine Brass Band. The Concert is scheduled for December 9th at 7:00 p.m. and admission is free. Sunshine Brass Band concerts are pleasing to a broad concert-going public, with performances presented in a relaxed, informal and entertaining style. Hope to see you there; invite family and friends!

Longest Night Service: The holiday season can be a painful and difficult time for some: the first Christmas without a family member, anguish over broken relationships, reminders of what we have lost, or never had. Join with us December 12th at 7:00 p.m. in sharing and hearing prayer, scripture, and music that acknowledges God's presence is for those who mourn, for those who struggle - and that God's Word comes to us in Jesus, who stands with us in our darkness as we groan together in eager expectation for Christ's final return.

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TCC Ladies' Christmas Brunch: Holly and mistletoe are a sure sign that the season of gathering is upon us! Could there be a better way to celebrate all things festive than our Ladies' Yuletide Brunch hosted this year by the lovely Ann Wooley? This not-to-miss event is slated for Saturday, December 15th, beginning at 10:30 am. Thanks to the rousing success of last year's "Paperchase Gift Exchange", we will once again swap Christmas-themed paper items. With a dollar amount around \$15.00, some ideas are ribbon, glitter pens, cards, wrapping paper, gift bags, napkins, or holiday paper plates. Wrap your gift (no need to put your name on it), prepare a brunch item ready to be served, and head on over to Ann's house (15016 Maurine Cove Lane). Holiday love happens here! RSVP to the church office (tcinfo@tampacovenant.org) or to Angela Kaloger (956-7781).

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service: Join us on Monday, December 24th at 7:00 p.m. as we read scripture, sing Christmas Carols, and reflect on the story of Christ's incarnation. Childcare will be provided.

**Children's Ministry Corner:
Isaiah 9:6 (ESV)**

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon^l his shoulder,
and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

GIVING PARTICIPATION
60%
NOVEMBER 2018

Holy Communion: The sacrament of The Lord's Supper is a joyful part of Christian worship, which we celebrate weekly. If you are a Christian, we invite you to join us even if you are not a member of Tampa Covenant Church. If you are not a Christian, to partake of Communion would be to express a faith you do not presently embrace. If you have uncertainties about whether or not you should partake of the sacrament, seek out one of the pastors or elders before the service.

*Gluten-free bread available during communion.