

Order for the Public Worship of God
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Prelude – **Sacred Celebration**

Announcements

Lighting of the first Advent candle:

The candle of Hope

(To be lit by Ted and Susanne Johnson, and family)

Advent Praise – **Hope is a star**

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Opening Praise – **From heaven You came**

Children's Story and Prayer

Praise – **God is so good**

Offering

Offertory Music – **O come, o come, Emmanuel**

Doxology – **Praise God from Whom all blessings flow**

Prayers of Dedication and Intercession

Scripture Readings

New Testament – **Ephesians 5: 25-32 & Revelation 21: 1-5**

Sermon – What does God want for Christmas?

A holy church and a beautiful bride

Prayer

Praise – **Christ is coming, let creation**

Confession of Faith – **The Apostles' Creed**

Reception of New Members

The Invitation and Approach to the Table

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Old Testament Reading – **Psalms 103**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Closing Praise – **The Son of God proclaim (Book of Praise #345)**

Departing Praise – **May the God of hope**

Benediction

This Week

SUNDAY, December 1

10:00 a.m. Worship and Church School
Hand-chime Practice (after Worship)
1:00 p.m. Sunday Bible Study (Zoom)

MONDAY, December 2

TUESDAY, December 3

1:00 p.m. Pastoral Care Team Meeting (Zoom)
7:00 p.m. Letson Hall Blind Choir Christmas Concert
7:00 p.m. Mission Team Meeting (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, December 4

7:30 p.m. Barrhaven Bible Study

THURSDAY, December 5

7:30 p.m. Music Rehearsal

FRIDAY, December 6

SATURDAY, December 7

6:00 p.m. Young Adults/Professionals Christmas Party

Serving this morning and for whom we are thankful:

Duty Elder Pamela Pestaluky

Reader Peter Paul

Refreshments Tami Kamou & Heather Peckett

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*Enabling individuals and families to discover, grow in
and share the love of God found in Jesus Christ.*



Sunday, December 1, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

Minister: Rev. James T. Hurd

***In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,
we welcome you today.***

May you experience the love of God
and warmth of His people, the Church.

You are invited for refreshments and conversation
downstairs in the Fellowship Hall immediately
following worship.

If you are visiting, please sign our
guest book or fill in a welcome card and
place it in the offering plate.

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We welcome today on profession and affirmation of faith James Harper and Kaihong Xue, as members of Parkwood Church.

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Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Today we will be celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper. For those taking part from home, please prepare your bread and juice or wine ahead of time. We also encourage those participating at home to notify the church office to record your participation.

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The December/January Pulse is now available!

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Letson Hall Blind Choir

We have invited the residents of Chesterton Towers to join us for a special presentation on Tuesday, December 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, featuring the Letson Hall Blind Choir, who will be singing Christmas carols. All are welcome to attend!

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Young Adults/Professionals Christmas Party

We invite all young adults (ages 16-35) to join us on Saturday, December 7 from 6-9 p.m. at Parkwood for a Christmas party! There will be a meal, a Christmas-themed Bible study, and carol singing, so please invite your friends to come along.

For more information, please contact the church office.

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Lunch and Learn: Christmas Memories

Please join us on Monday, December 9 for our next Lunch and Learn. This month, we’ll be gathering to share stories of our favourite and most impactful Christmas memories.

Lunch is served at noon, followed by our sharing time at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome to come!

For more information, please contact the church office.

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Algonquin Pause Table

Parkwood will be setting up a Pause Table at Algonquin College on Tuesday, December 10, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. In order to connect with the students and give them encouragement during exam season, volunteers will hand out healthy snacks and brochures introducing them to Parkwood’s programming.

Donations of food and drinks are needed, and we appreciate the help provided to run this outreach event. There are criteria now, though, for what can be handed out to students. We can accept prepackaged snacks (with ingredients listed), fruit, water bottles, and juice boxes. Unfortunately, we can no longer serve coffee, tea, homemade items, or items without ingredients listed.

If you’re able to provide food items, please drop them off at the church on Monday, December 9 between 2-3:30 p.m. Volunteers to help with the table are also needed.

Please contact John or Martha Fair at 613-823-9970 or fairmj@magma.ca if you can donate food or would like to assist with the Pause Table.

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Barbershop Quartet

On Sunday, December 8, Parkwood will welcome as guest musicians the barbershop quartet, Three Good-Looking Men. We hope you can join us for this unique musical presentation!

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Youth Group Christmas Party

All who are in grades 6-12, you are invited to our annual Youth Group Christmas Party! Please join us on Friday, December 13 starting at 6:00 p.m. for an evening of activities, festive food, and a Christmas devotional.

For more information, contact Victoria Henry at parkwoodyouthministry@gmail.com

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Financial Giving Opportunity

Please see the notice in the Pulse about stock donations within the Presbyterian Church of Canada, or speak with Gord Walford. This opportunity will take place between December 2-5.

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Christmas Dinner

Please join us on Saturday, December 14 in the Fellowship Hall for Christmas dinner! The meal will be served at 6:00 p.m. More details about this event will be coming soon.

Space is limited, so please sign up for yourself and your family on the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Place.

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Final Fundraiser 2024

The Parkwood Elves will be selling their Christmas planters at the Fisher Park Christmas Craft Market this Saturday, December 7. The craft fair is being held in the Fisher Park School, large gym, at 250 Holland Avenue.

If you are a crafter and have items which you would like to donate to the fair, please contact Pamela Pestaluky at pamelapestaluky@live.ca or Holly Macdonald at hollyamacdonald@live.ca. We would love to include your items. Pricing for your items would be helpful.

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Offering Envelopes

The envelope Secretary reminds everyone that 2024 income tax receipts can include only tithes and offerings received on or before December 31, 2024. This is in accordance with Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) policy. Please pick up your 2025 offering envelopes in the Gathering Place.

For the convenience of those who either do not have offering envelopes or for those who have left them at home, generic envelopes are provided at the end of the pews. Also, if you wish, your contributions to Parkwood Church can be made by e-transfer, through Canada Helps or by PAR (pre-authorized remittance using automatic monthly debits to your bank account or credit card).

If you have any questions concerning church receipts, envelopes or donations, please contact Betty Paul, Parkwood Envelope Secretary, at 613-225-4878

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