

Order for the Public Worship of God  
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Prelude – **He is our peace**

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the second Advent candle: The candle of Peace  
*(To be lit by Mary Rosebrugh and Andrea Gibson)*

Advent Praise – **Advent candles**

Prayer of Approach

Praise –  
**Holy Spirit**  
**We are waiting, Lord**

Children’s Story and Prayer

Praise – **Will you come and follow Me?**

Offering  
Offertory Music – **Carried to the table** *(Parkwood Guitar Band)*  
Doxology – **Advent doxology**  
Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Readings  
Old Testament – **Micah 5: 2-5**  
New Testament – **Luke 1: 67-79**

Sermon – Peace  
Prayer

Praise – **Will you come and follow Me?**  
The Sacrament of Baptism  
Confession of Faith – The apostles’ creed  
Reception of New Members

Communion Hymn – **From heaven You came (vv.1-2)**  
The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper  
Prayers of Thanksgiving  
Closing Praise – **From heaven You came (vv. 3-4)**

Benediction  
Departing Praise – **May the peace of Christ be with you**

## This Week

**SUNDAY**, December 7  
10:00 a.m. Worship & Church School  
1:00 p.m. Sunday Bible Study (Zoom)  
**MONDAY**, December 8  
12 Noon Lunch & Learn: Christmas Memories  
1:30 p.m. Algonquin Pause Table Drop-Off (until 3:30 p.m.)  
**TUESDAY**, December 9  
10:00 a.m. Algonquin Pause Table (until 2:00 p.m.)  
7:00 p.m. Letson Hall Blind Choir @ Chesterton Towers  
**WEDNESDAY**, December 10  
7:00 p.m. Policy & Planning Team Meeting  
7:30 p.m. Barrhaven Bible Study (Zoom)  
**THURSDAY**, December 11  
7:30 p.m. Music Rehearsal  
**FRIDAY**, December 12  
6:00 p.m. Youth Group Christmas Party  
**SATURDAY**, December 13  
6:00 p.m. Christmas Dinner

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



**Sunday, December 7, 2025, 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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Announcements

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We are pleased to celebrate the sacrament of baptism today for Abraham Ren, who is being baptized on profession of faith.

We are also pleased to welcome as members on profession of faith Golda Akat, and on reaffirmation of faith Erik Fredeen, Sentia Ndip Asek, and Boniface Odah.

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Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Today we will be celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper during worship.

For those participating from home, please prepare your bread and juice or wine ahead of time. We also encourage those taking part at home to notify the church office so your participation may be recorded.

All bread served during our in-person Communion services is gluten-free.

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Lunch and Learn: Christmas Memories

Please join us on Monday, December 8 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!

A sign-up sheet for volunteering to bring food or help with set-up is in the Gathering Place.

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Letson Hall Blind Choir

The Letson Hall Blind Choir will be singing for the residents of Chesterton Towers (20 Chesterton Drive) on Tuesday, December 9 beginning at 7:00 p.m. We invite any whom are interested to please join us for an evening of music!

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Algonquin Pause Table

Parkwood will be setting up a Pause Table at Algonquin College on **Tuesday, December 9** from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. In order to connect with the students and give them encouragement during exams, volunteers will hand out 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. We can accept prepackaged snacks (with ingredients listed), fruit, water bottles, and juice boxes. 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 8** between 1:30 -3:30 p.m. Volunteers to help with the table are also needed, please.

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

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Youth Group Christmas Party

Youth in grades 6-12, please join us on **Friday, December 12** from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for our annual Christmas Party! We’ll be wrapping up 2025 with dinner, a gift exchange, a Christmas message, and a few fun activities!

If you and any friends are planning to join us, please contact Victoria Henry at [parkwoodyouthministry@gmail.com](mailto:parkwoodyouthministry@gmail.com) so that we can plan enough food. Thank you!

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Parkwood’s Christmas Dinner

You are invited to join us on Saturday, December 13 for our annual Christmas Dinner, followed by our Christmas Carol Sing. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m., but please feel free to arrive any time after 5:30 p.m.

A signup sheet is on the kiosk in the Gathering Place. Tickets are free! Space is limited, so please sign up early. If your plans change and you are not able to attend, please let us know. A jar for a free-will offering will be available.

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January Calendar

The deadline for notifying the Events Coordinator about items for the January calendar is **Tuesday, December 23**.

The next edition of the Pulse newsletter comes out in February.

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Offering Envelopes Available

The envelope Secretary reminds everyone that 2025 income tax receipts can include only tithes and offerings received on or before December 31, 2025. This is in accordance with Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) policy.

Please pick up your 2026 offering envelopes from the table in the Gathering Place during the month of December. 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, by PAR (pre-authorized remittance using automatic monthly debits to your bank account or credit card) or through Canada Helps.

If you would like 2026 weekly offering envelopes or have any questions concerning church envelopes or donations, please contact Betty Paul by phone at 613-225-4878.

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Practical Caregiver Training Program

Champlain Hospice Palliative Care Program is offering a free, six-week course called Practical Caregiver Training. It is for unpaid friends and family members of individuals with a serious illness or condition. Sessions are on Zoom, Mondays, 2:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m., beginning January 12 through to February 17.

For more information, check the poster on the bulletin board in the Gathering Place or contact the church office.

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