



Knollwood

at Worship

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, November 29, 2020 • *Online Worship*

*To those who feel the need of light; to those who find doubts and fears in their hearts;
to those who need courage for their daily tasks; to those who feel lonely and friendless;
to those who wish to give service; to all who, in faith, will support and involve themselves
to the limit of their ability in the work of the Kingdom of God which this church undertakes;
to all who want rest, peace, and happiness — this church invites you to the fellowship of Jesus.*

KNOLLWOOD AT WORSHIP

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND OPENING SENTENCE Katharine Martin

PRELUDE

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel *arr. Kevin Bryant*
Youth Handbells

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES Don and Connie Harvey

HYMN OF PRAISE

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel *VENI EMMANUEL*

**O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

**O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by thine advent here;
and drive away the shades of night,
and pierce the clouds and bring us light!
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

**O come, O Key of David, come
and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

PRAISING TOGETHER

PRAYER OF THE DAY Chrissy Hardy

Faithful God, your promises stand unshaken through all generations.
Renew us in faith and hope that we may welcome Christ to rule our thoughts and claim our love,
as Lord of lords and King of kings, to whom be glory always. Amen.

~PC USA Book of Worship

HYMN OF THE DAY

Creator of the Stars of Night *CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM*

Elena Madan, soloist
*Creator of the stars of night,
your people's everlasting light,
O Christ, redeemer of us all,
we pray you, hear us when we call.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSIONLucrecia Norman

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

~Book of Common Prayer

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Creator of the Stars of NightCONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

*When this old world drew on toward night,
you came; but not in splendor bright,
not as a monarch, but the child
of Mary, blameless mother mild.*

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 64:1-9, 17-19..... Josh Godwin

This is the word of God.

Thanks be to God.

PSALTER: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19..... Chrissy Hardy

This is the word of God.

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HYMN OF THE DAY

Creator of the Stars of NightCONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

*At your great name, O Jesus, now
all knees must bend, all hearts must bow:
all things on earth with one accord,
like those in heaven, shall call you Lord.*

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 13:24-33.....Lucrecia Norman

This is the Gospel of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Creator of the Stars of NightCONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

*To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
praise, honor, might, and glory be
from age to age eternally. Amen.*

CHILDREN’S TIME..... Josh Godwin

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER.....Ted Philpott

SERMON.....Katharine Martin

BEGINNING WITH THE END

ANTHEM

Savior of the Nations, Come.....*NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND*

Rozanna Goocey, Beth Sanders, Matt Jamison, and David Winkelman

Savior of the nations, come, show yourself the Virgin’s son.

Fill with wonder, all the earth, that our God chose such a birth.

*Not by human power or seed did the woman’s womb conceive;
only by the Spirit’s breath was the Word of God made flesh.*

RESPONDING IN FAITH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING..... Danny Stinehelfer, Deacon of the Week

HYMN

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel..... *VENI EMMANUEL*

**O come, Desire of nations, bind
all peoples in one heart and mind;
bid envy, strife, and quarrels cease;
fill all the world with heaven’s peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

DEPARTING TO SERVE

BENEDICTION.....Katharine Martin

POSTLUDE

Savior of the Nations, Come..... *arr. Johann Sebastian Bach*

Lauren Winkelman, organ



TO OUR GUESTS

To learn more about Knollwood Baptist Church, find us online at www.knollwood.org. You can also receive our newsletter and email announcements by signing up here, or by emailing colleen@knollwood.org.

KBC WELCOMING STATEMENT

Knollwood Baptist Church is an inviting, inclusive family of faith open to all persons, whatever their race, gender, socioeconomic status, special needs, or sexual orientation, who want to walk in the way of Jesus.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP

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Today’s acolyte is Aiden Ayers. The Youth Handbell videography is by Wayne Reich, and audio is by Nick Rich.

MINISTER ON CALL

If you need a Knollwood minister, please call our Minister On-Call at 336-283-5067. This number is staffed 24/7 by a Knollwood minister.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF ON CALL

As the office staff is working remotely, please call 336-496-0403 to reach a member of our administrative staff. This number will be answered 9:00 AM-5:00 PM, Monday-Friday.

STONE SOUP COMMITMENT UPDATE

We give thanks to God for the initial strong showing of support for our 2021 Ministry Plan. At present, we have received 155 commitments totaling \$1,011,434.00. That is 65% of the income needed to fund our 2021 ministry plan budget of \$1,555,848. Clearly, we are off to a great start but more giving and service commitments are needed as we seek to fund our ministry plan for the new year.

If you have not yet made your giving commitment for 2021, [a copy of the Stone Soup commitment card can be downloaded here](#). Please send your card to the church office, or scan and email it, or simply email your confidential giving promise to <mailto:finance@knollwood.org>.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

See page 5 for the schedule for [Advent and Christmas Eve worship at Knollwood](#).

6:00 PM, WEDNESDAYS WITH KNOLLWOOD ONLINE

A Time of Prayer led by Dr. Bob, and a Faith Formation offering with Katharine Martin will be posted on the Knollwood Baptist Church Facebook Page. One does not need a Facebook account to view these posts online.

2021 MINISTRY PLAN BUDGET TO BE VOTED ON JANUARY 20, 2021

A video of the Finance Committee's Wednesday night, Nov. 18 presentation of the 2021 Ministry Plan, [can be viewed here](#). Click this link to read a PDF of the [2021 Proposed Ministry Plan](#).

At the close of 2020, the Finance Committee will review KBC giving and expenses, along with the level of pledged giving commitments for the new year. The committee will then either recommend passing the budget, as is, or recommend needed changes.

The KBC Ministry Plan for 2021 will be voted on at called church-in-conference on Wednesday night, Jan. 20.

GIVING AT KBC

Giving online allows one to make a one-time donation or to schedule recurring contributions. Click here to get started: <http://www.knollwood.org/giving>. Contributions can also be made by sending a check to the church office.

ONLINE PRAYER REQUESTS

During this difficult time, we want to stay connected to you and know the ways that we can pray for you and your loved ones. To help us stay on top of all the prayer concerns of our church community, we invite you to complete this secure form and know that you will be prayed for. Only the ministerial staff has access to these requests unless you indicate that you are willing for them to be shared in wider circles.

The Google form can be found here: <https://forms.gle/LriJ9FhDez9zY7HS7>

Knollwood Celebrates Advent & Christmas

Sundays in Advent

Sunday Worship Videos

November 29 • December 6 • December 19 • December 20

Online Services

Sunday Worship Videos led by our Ministers and Staff from our Sanctuary, which will bear some of the beautiful visual symbols of Knollwood Advent Worship, such as the Advent Candles, Evergreens, and colors of purple and blue. Knollwood Children, Youth and Adult musicians will lead us in song.

Service of Remembrance

December 20 • 2 PM

In-person service in the Courtyard between the Sanctuary and Bldg. B

Not everyone experiences the holidays as a time of joy and cheer. If you are experiencing grief or loss, join us for meditative music, prayer, and a quiet space for comfort and support. Liturgy led by our Ministers, with music led by Rozanna, Lauren, and guest cellist, Lauren Shriver. You're encouraged to bring a special photo or memento of the person you're particularly grieving this year.

Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols

December 24 • *Online service*

by the Knollwood Music Ministry

This pre-recorded service premieres Thursday morning on YouTube. Beautiful music of Christmas is sung and played by the gifted choirs and handbell ensembles of Knollwood. A guest orchestra accompanies the choirs on familiar carols and anthems, while the readings walk us through the story of Christmas.

You can find the video on Youtube, or on www.knollwood.org.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

5 PM and 6 PM • In-person

Come hear, feel, see, and sing of Christ's birth with your Knollwood family.

Must reserve a space to attend.

Sign-up link coming after Thanksgiving.

Pastor

Minister of Music and Worship

Children's Ministry Associate

Minister of Youth and Recreation

Music Ministry Associate and Organist

Interim Minister of Faith Formation and Education

Minister to Senior Adults and Weekday School

Pastoral Associate for Congregational Care

Dr. Bob Setzer, Jr.

Mrs. Rozanna Goocey

Mrs. Chrissy Hardy

Rev. Josh Godwin

Mrs. Lauren Winkelman

Rev. Katharine Martin

Rev. Lucrecia Norman

Mr. Ted Philpott



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BAPTIST CHURCH

Grace Unbounded