



# Knollwood

## *at Worship*

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, December 20, 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 ..... Bob Setzer, Jr.

### PRELUDE

*Of the Father's Love Begotten*..... *arr. Wilbur Held*

Lauren Winkelman, organ

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING..... Wendy, Gabriel, and Noah Oakley

PRAYER OF THE DAY ..... Ted Philpott

Creating and sustaining God, in whose presence there is life, help us seek, even in this winter season, the flourishing that comes from you, so that with warm hearts, we might faithfully love you, and love your people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *~Katharine Martin*

### HYMN OF PRAISE

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*..... HYFRYDOL

**Come, thou long-expected Jesus,  
born to set thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us,  
let us find our rest in thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation,  
hope of all the earth thou art;  
dear desire of every nation,  
joy of every longing heart.**

**Born thy people to deliver,  
born a child and yet a King,  
born to reign in us forever,  
now thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By thine own eternal spirit  
rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all sufficient merit,  
raise us to thy glorious throne.**

### PRAYING TOGETHER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION ..... Katharine Martin

**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

## LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PSALTER: Psalm 89:1-4..... Josh Godwin  
This is the word of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT: Romans 16:25-27 ..... Lucrecia Norman  
This is the word of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 1:26-38 ..... Ted Philpott  
This is the Gospel of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*Of the Father's Love Begotten* ..... *DIVINUM MYSTERIUM*

**Of the Father's love begotten ere the worlds began to be,  
he is Alpha and Omega, he the Source, the Ending he,  
of the things that are, that have been, and that future years shall see,  
evermore and evermore!**

**O that birth forever blessed, when the Virgin, full of grace,  
by the Holy Ghost conceiving, bore the Savior of our race;  
and the babe, the world's Redeemer, first revealed his sacred face,  
evermore and evermore!**

CHILDREN'S TIME..... Katharine Martin

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*Of the Father's Love Begotten* ..... *DIVINUM MYSTERIUM*

**O ye heights of heaven, adore him; angel hosts, his praises sing;  
all dominions, bow before him and extol our God and King;  
let no tongue on earth be silent, every voice in concert ring,  
evermore and evermore!**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER..... Chrissy Hardy

SERMON..... Bob Setzer, Jr.

**"IT WAS *NOT* A SILENT NIGHT"**

ANTHEM

*Silent Night*..... arr. Dan Forrest

Chancel Choir and Youth Choir; Orchestra  
*Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright  
'round yon virgin mother and child. Holy Infant so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.*

*Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.*

*Silent night, holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light;  
With the angels let us sing "Alleluia" to our King.  
"Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born."*

**RESPONDING IN FAITH**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING..... Beth Fields, Deacon of the Week

HYMN

*Long Ago, Prophets Knew*..... *PERSONENT HODIE*

Stephen Hampson, Linda Denney, Rachel Wiggins,  
David Winkelman, and Annie Winkelman, handbells

**Long ago, prophets knew  
Christ would come, born a Jew,  
come to make all things new;  
bear his people's burden,  
freely love and pardon.  
Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!  
sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!  
When he comes, when he comes,  
who will make him welcome?**

**God in time, God in man,  
this is God's timeless plan:  
he will come, as a man,  
born himself of woman,  
God divinely human.  
Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!  
sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!  
When he comes, when he comes,  
who will make him welcome?**

**Mary, hail! Though afraid,  
she believed, she obeyed.  
In her womb, God is laid:  
till the time expected,  
nurtured and protected,  
Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!  
sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!  
When he comes, when he comes,  
who will make him welcome?**

**Journey ends! Where afar  
Bethlehem shines, like a star,  
stable door stands ajar.  
Unborn Son of Mary,  
Savior, do not tarry!  
Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!  
sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!  
When he comes, when he comes  
We will make him welcome!**

### **DEPARTING TO SERVE**

BENEDICTION ..... Bob Setzer, Jr.

### **POSTLUDE**

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* ..... *arr. Healey Willan*  
Lauren Winkelman, organ



### **TO OUR GUESTS**

To learn more about Knollwood Baptist Church, find us online at [www.knollwood.org](http://www.knollwood.org). You can also receive our newsletter and email announcements by [signing up here](#), or by emailing [colleen@knollwood.org](mailto: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**

Music incorporated in print and video formats is used by permission of OneLicense.net #A-735691.

Orchestra members are Margaret Rehder and Suzy Perkins, violin; Julian Smart, viola; Lauren Shriver, cello; and John Ray, bass.

Today's acolyte is Clara Hardy.

### **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.

### **KNOLLWOOD CAMPUS AND OFFICE HOURS**

Thursday, December 24 • 9 AM-12 PM

Friday, December 25 • CLOSED

Monday, December 28 • CLOSED

Thursday, December 31 • 9 AM-5 PM

Friday, January 1 • CLOSED

Monday, January 4 • 9 AM-5 PM

The office is not open to the public, but is partially staffed at this time. Call to check staff availability for dropping off and picking up items, 336-725-1343.

## **STONE SOUP COMMITMENT UPDATE**

We have received **189** commitments totaling **\$1,166,556**. That is **75%** of the income needed to fund our 2021 ministry plan budget of **\$1,555,848**.

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 [finance@knollwood.org](mailto:finance@knollwood.org).

## **RACIAL JUSTICE BOOK STUDY**

**January 12, 19, 26, Tuesdays at 7:00 PM**

*The Color of Compromise: The Truth about the American Church's Complicity in Racism* by Jemar Tisby  
Contact [katharine@knollwood.org](mailto:katharine@knollwood.org) for Zoom link

## **GIVING AT KBC**

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

## **DONATIONS TO HELP OUR VULNERABLE NEIGHBORS**

We continue to receive gifts of toilet paper and bars of soap for distribution through the Bolton Food Pantry. The Bolton donations can be left in the bins in the front of the Wellness and Community Center, weekdays 9-5.

## **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>

## **IN-PERSON GATHERINGS AT KBC**

Given the surge in the Coronavirus, in-person gatherings at Knollwood are discouraged at this time. But if such a gathering is necessary, it must be limited to 10 persons, masked and socially distant, and scheduled with the Church Administrator ([robin@knollwood.org](mailto:robin@knollwood.org)).

The Knollwood Baptist Church Medical Advisory Team members are Rebecca Erwin Wells, MD, MPH; David Ramsay, MD; Joe Long, JD; Grover "Chip" Mims, MD and John Roach, III, MD.

## ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SERVICES

### *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](http://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.*

Both are drive-in services. We ask that you remain in your parking space for the duration of the service.

*Must reserve a space to attend. More slots have been added.*

Sign-up link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050b4aa5ae28a5fa7-christmas>

**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



**KNOLLWOOD**

**BAPTIST CHURCH**

*Grace Unbounded*