

Dec. 3 ~ 10 at Swift Creek

Sun., Dec. 3	1st Sunday of Advent Communion Sunday Minute for Ministry– Christmas in Moseley 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service 12:00 p.m. Counters (Room 203) 5:00 p.m. Middle School Youth 6:00 p.m. Youth Dinner 6:30 p.m. High School Youth
Mon., Dec. 4	4:00 p.m. Safety Team Meeting 6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Men’s Alliance
Tues., Dec. 5	9:00 a.m. Community Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting/Off-Site 7:00 p.m. Praise Team Practice
Wed., Dec. 6	10:00 a.m. Moving On Brunch
Thurs, Dec. 7	10:00 a.m.. Ladies Thursday Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Adult Handbells 7:00 p.m. Men’s Group 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir
Sat., Dec. 9	9:00 a.m. Angel Tree Delivery 9:00 a.m. Serve at Mercy Mall
Sun., Dec. 10	2nd Sunday of Advent 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Trustees Meeting 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service 12:00 p.m. Counters (Room 203) 12:00 p.m. Missions Meeting 5:00 p.m. Middle School Youth 6:00 p.m. Youth Dinner 6:30 p.m. High School Youth

Operating Budget—October 2017 YTD

	Oct-17	YTD - through Oct 2017	
	Actual	2017 Actual	2017 Budget
Revenue	\$ 43,742	\$ 408,063	\$ 464,451
Expenses	\$ 43,152	\$ 436,727	\$ 466,210
Diff	\$ 590	\$ (28,664)	\$ (1,759)

Electronic giving at SCPC: www.spcvca.org

Swift Creek Presbyterian Church

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Sunday at Swift Creek

Growing Disciples Through...
Exalting Christ, Nurturing Community, Serving the World

Welcome

Welcome to Swift Creek and thank you for worshipping with us. If you are visiting with us we want you to feel at home. Please pick up a welcome bag at the Welcome Center.

First Sunday of Advent—December 3, 2017 Communion Sunday

9:00 a.m. Worship Service

Welcome

Lighting of the Advent Wreath
The Mills Family

Praise and Worship

Minute for Ministry— Christmas In
Moseley - Wendy Hicks

Children depart for Children's Worship
(K-5th grade)

Offering

Scripture Reading
Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:2-4; 3:17-19
Matthew 26:36-39

Message
"Joy of Hope"
David Cagle

Communion

Closing Song

Today

Performed by the
Swift Creek Praise Band

Holy Spirit
Brian and Katie Torwalt

Do It Again
Elevation Worship

Ever Be
Bethel

Came To My Rescue
Hillsong

Give Me Faith
Elevation Worship

KIDS @ "THE CREEK"

A nursery is available for infants to age 3.
Preschool Worship children (ages 3-4) should be taken to their room before the service begins.

Children's Worship—9 a.m. and 11 a.m.
Children (K-5th) will be dismissed during service.

YOUTH LOCK-IN!!!

Join us on Dec. 15 for our Lock-In! Kick off Christmas break in style by joining in on all the fun at Swift Creek for the night. Cost for the event is \$25. You must have a form filled out to attend, which can be found in the Commons.

Please note: On Tuesday, December 5, the church Staff will hold their weekly staff meeting off-site. There will be a volunteer at the front desk from 9:30 - 11:30. If you wish to speak with a staff member that day, please schedule for the afternoon. Thank you!

Young at Heart Christmas Party!

Thursday, December 14th, 12:00 noon at SCPC
Wear your Christmas finery! Bring a dish to share for a potluck lunch and a gift for our White Elephant exchange.



Christmas Poinsettias for the Sanctuary

Sign ups today and December 10th.
Help adorn the sanctuary for the Christmas season and then beautify your home after the Christmas Eve services.

Cost is \$9.50



ANGEL TREE GIFTS ARE DUE TODAY!!

All wrapped gifts need to be returned to church today. Please place them in the Commons by the Angel tree. Volunteers will deliver the gifts on Saturday, December 9th between 9:00 and 12:00. We are pleased to announce that we have enough volunteers for delivery!! Thank you for your participation in this amazing ministry.



Minute For Ministry	Christmas In Moseley	Wendy Hicks
	Children depart for Children's Worship (grades K-5) Please pass the friendship pads	
The Offering of Tithes & Gifts		
The Offertory	<i>"O Come to Set Us Free"</i>	arr. M. McDonald
*Doxology	<i>"Angels' Gloria"</i>	Refrain no. 188
	<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo!</i> <i>Gloria in excelsis Deo!</i>	
Old Testament Reading		Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:2-4; 3:17-19
New Testament Reading		Matthew 26:36-39
Message	<i>"Joyful Hope"</i>	David Cagle
*Apostle's Creed		
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.		
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.		
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.		
*Hymn of Preparation	<i>"Lift Up Your Heads, O Mighty Gates"</i>	no. 176
The Sacrament of Holy Communion		
The invitation		
Prayer		
Words of Institution		
Sharing the Bread and Cup		
Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer		
*Hymn of Commitment	<i>"Long Ago, Prophets Knew"</i>	no. 167
*Benediction		
*Choral Benediction		
Postlude	<i>"People, Look East"</i>	arr. Taylor
*Congregation standing		
<i>Please discard your communion cup as you leave the sanctuary today. Thank you.</i>		

Where the Promise Shines

Words by SYLVIA G. DUNSTAN
Music by BOB MOORE

Congregation:

Lead us on, lead us on to a morn - ing where the
prom - ise shines. Lead us on, lead us on
to a morn - ing where the prom - ise shines.

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Can We Pray for You?

There are prayer cards in the friendship pad holders. We invite you to fill out a card with your prayer request and drop it in the offering plate. You're also welcome to send an email to prayer@swiftcreekpresbyterian.org or to call the church office, 739-1183.

AS YOU PRAY, remember to pray for Jodi Power, Chris Smith, Anna Youngblood, Betsey McMahon's father and Nicole Frost's mother.

We pray for the families of Metropolitan Richmond: For single-parent families, adoptive families, foster families, and for households that are communities of friends; for elderly persons living in their own homes, in retirement communities, and in nursing institutions.

Volunteer Opportunity!

The Coffee Team is looking for people to help set up before the first service and clean up after the second service. Any amount of time is greatly appreciated! Please contact Debbie Murawski if you are interested: kmurawski@comcast.net.

We Are Here to Help!

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Need WiFi at Church?
Account: SCPC_Guest
Password: SCPC4guest

Missions Meeting

Please join us on December 10 at 12:15 pm in the large Sunday School room behind the kitchen for our next missions meeting. We will be hearing a brief presentation from Alison Compton Ngallaba on her experiences as a missionary in Africa with **Wycliff Bible Translators**. As many of you know, Alison - who was our guest preacher on Nov. 26th - grew up in our church and her parents are still members; let's show her our support with strong attendance! Lunch will be served.

Celebrate Advent with your Family!

We have put together "Advent In a Box" for families to enjoy the journey to Christmas at home, at their own pace. There are 4 activities, one for each week of Advent, representing four candles of the Advent wreath: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. The final activity is a Happy Birthday Jesus party, which represents the final candle, the Christ candle. Each weekly activity includes: a scripture reading (we recommend the NIV), discussion thoughts and an ornament craft. The main ingredients for each craft are included and labeled. You will have to add a few items that you should be able to easily find in your home. Our hope is that your family will experience Christmas together in a meaningful way this holiday season. And that "Advent in a Box" will help toward that goal. The boxes are available in the Commons and downstairs by the Children's Worship room. Merry Christmas!!

11 a.m. Communion Sunday

Prelude *"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring with Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"* arr. Fettke

Welcome

Choral Introit

*Call to Worship

Amy Cook

Leader: Jesus says: I am coming soon.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

Leader: Heaven and earth will pass away,

People: but the word of God endures forever.

Leader: Let us worship God.

*Hymn of Praise

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

no. 154

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Karen Snead with nephews & nieces:

Ryan Taylor, Jordan Taylor, Elaine LaVergne and Sarah Phelps

Responsive Reading

Leader: Advent is the time for God's people to reawaken their longings.

People: We wait in hope for the Lord.

Leader: We long for every hurt to be healed.

People: We wait in hope for the Lord.

Leader: We long for every tear to be dried.

People: We wait in hope for the Lord.

Leader: We long for every injustice to be made right.

People: We wait in hope for the Lord.

Leader: We celebrate God's promises and long for those yet to unfold.

ALL: We wait in hope for the Lord.

"Where the Promise Shines" (see inside page)

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Choral Response

"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"
Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel
God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel.

no. 178

Swift Creek Choir