

The Communicator

First Christian Church, Russellville, KY December 2017
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A message from Rev. Dann

I was 20 years old and preaching in my student church. My sermon that morning was less than inspiring. I had struggled with the usual Christmas sermon. What do I say? How do I say it? After worship I confessed to one of the church's elders, that I was disappointed in my sermon. He said, "Dann think of all the sermons ever written about Christmas. How can you possibly say anything new?"

Now 48 years later, I recognize that saying something unique is impossible. But proclaiming the Christmas story again (perhaps over and over again) is the purpose of preaching during the holiday season.

One of the many miracles of the Christmas season is that as the Christmas "words" are voiced over and over again. We hear those words in new and unique ways. That's how the ancient story becomes relevant each year.

I invite you to join us this season to hear once again:

"..For to us a child is born; to us a son is given..."

Your Less Than Wise Man,

Dann



ADVENT SERVICES

December 3 **1st Sunday of Advent**
First Christian **Rev. Tom Thompson preaching**

December 10 **2nd Sunday of Advent**
First Presbyterian **Rev. Wayne Sayre preaching**

December 17 **3rd Sunday of Advent**
United Methodist Temple **Rev. Dann Masden preaching**

December 24 **4th Sunday of Advent** **NO SERVICE**

Services will be at 6:00 pm
 Reception following service



Christmas Gathering
 at the Clark's
Wednesday, December 6th
6:30 pm
 Everyone welcome
 Bring a dish

Church Holiday Meal
Sunday, December 10th
 After services



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Secretary: Sharon Fuller
 Moderator: Mildred Taylor
 Moderator-Elect: Ray Clark
 Treasurer: Ellen Nealy
 Secretary: Vicki Kemp
 Accompanist: Shannon Gorrell
 Sunday School: 9:30 am
 Worship Service: 10:45 am

Poinsettia Orders
Due by December 15th

Serving in December 2017

Elders: Judy Suiter, Mildred Taylor
Deacons: Buddy & Frankie Smith, Laurine Mantlo
Greeters: Volunteers

Prayer Concerns:			
Danny Anderson	Cheryl Oberhausen	Shirley Hicks	Beverly Goley Nicholson
Timmy Campbell	Rod Owen	Claire Wilson	Lauren Riley Stafford
Maydeen Bailey	James Page	Frankie Smith	Bill & Patricia Webb
Connie Brown	Linda Robertson	Marion Firchow	Guthrie Church members
Sarah Emberger	Joe Schafer	David Wilkins	Missy Maxwell
Jean Gragg	Mae Thompson	Trevor Hesson	Michael Stuart
Skip Boone	Ken Mercer	Lana Lawson	Jewel McIntosh
Myra Hurley			