

ROMANS 12:6-8

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to serve

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Chriss Flynn - Scripture Reader

The Forster Family - Advent Wreath & Presentation of the Bread & Wine

Cecilia Garcia & Jacqui Forster - Offering & Communion

Judi Loubier - Altar Setting

Liz Floyd - Altar Flowers

Jane Mitchell - Refreshments

Becky Ramsey & Robin Strecker - Sunday School

*Thank
you*

*for making
Snowmass Chapel
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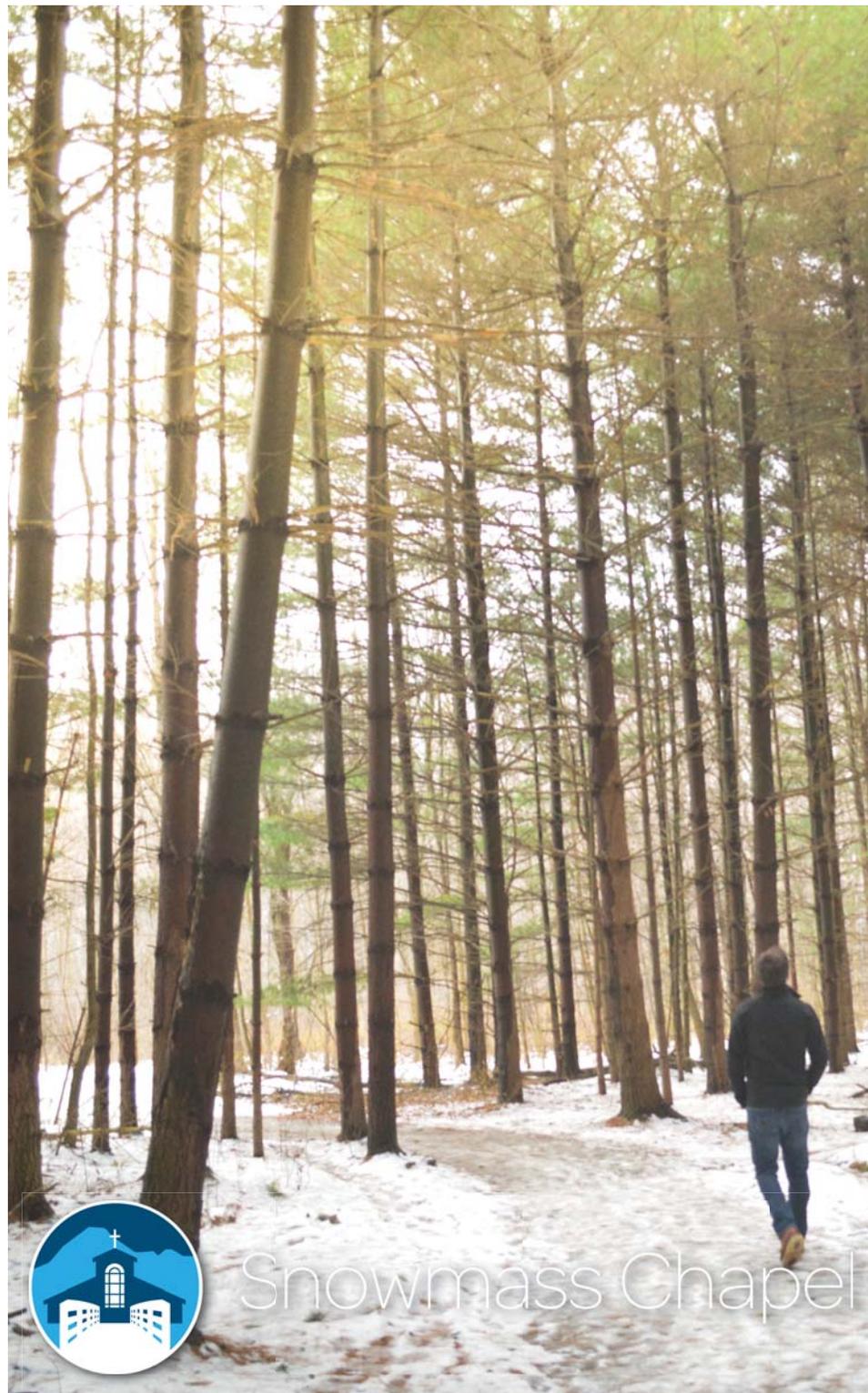
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Non-Denominational Worship Service Sundays at 9am



5 things you need to know about Snowmass Chapel

We strive to make worship compelling, diverse, relevant, life-changing and **focused on God.**

*Love God.
Love People.*
That's what we do.

No matter *who you are, or where you are* in your journey of faith, *all people are welcome* at Snowmass Chapel.

We love your kids. If you need a cry room for your little ones, the Creekside Room is available during the worship service.

Sign up for our weekly newsletter and find up-to-date information on our website **snowmasschapel.org**

Guest Musicians

Sarah Graf is a professional cellist and teacher living in Carbondale, CO. Since graduating from the Eastman School of Music with Performer's Certificate honors, she has taken part in many music festivals. She maintains a private teaching studio and is a mentor to the cellists of the Roaring Fork Youth Orchestra. Ms. Graf has registered Suzuki teacher training with Pamela Davenport and Ann Grabe. She also enjoys playing other styles of music and has performed and recorded with many bands in the Roaring Fork Valley



David Dyer has been a resident of the valley since 1980. Locals will remember him for his many years of work at The Crystal Palace in Aspen. He has enjoyed a wide variety of music making experiences throughout the valley and beyond, including collaboration with numerous theatrical, educational and church organizations.



Virgil Simon has sung "Messiah" Bass solos in the valley since 1992 and later helped found the Aspen Choral Society in 1995. Virgil has studied classical music throughout his life beginning in high school in Burlington, Iowa and has performed as a soloist with choirs in both Aspen and the Chicago area. Virgil and Joan became part-time residents of Snowmass in 1967 and moved here permanently from Glenview, IL in 1995 where Virgil had been a principal in a display, product and architectural design firm. Virgil has been an artist, sculptor and designer all his life starting at age four, and was a soldier artist in WWII in the Philippines



Prayer Corner

Men & Women of the U.S. Armed Services
Gwen and Fred
Tammy Braman
Catherine
Cheater Family
Ned and Jan Cochran
Levi Cook
Mardee de Wetter
Fred Dick
Linda DiLuco
Nick Dimeglio
Emily
Nancy Fail
Florence Flynn
Emily Garcia
Green Family
Mary Hardwick
Deanna Hicks
Irma Howard
John
John Johnston
Al Kaplinski
Karla Kipling
Sonja Kiser
MacKenzie Langley
Debra Majoria
Mar
John McGregor
Marlane Miller
Nell and Gary Moore
Moss Family
Ness-Nelson family
George Norman
Elsa Ortiz
Paula
Marcia Plotkin
Linda Popper
Ramsey family
Penny Richey
Stacey Ross
S & A
Steve Scambia
Jeff Schlepp
Selsor/McKeller family
Caleb Silberburg
Strasbourger family
Heather Wagaman
Sharon Wells
Wright family
Wrbitzky-Bork family
Debbie Zelman

Children, Youth & Families

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

We begin rehearsals for the annual Christmas Pageant on Sunday Dec. 4. Please be sure to have your kiddos attend!! Our dress rehearsal will be Dec. 17th, 9:30-11:30am, and the Pageant is Dec. 18th during our 9am service. Thank you for helping make this tradition so special for one and all.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday - Sunday, Dec. 2 - 4 - Young Life Middle School Retreat (7/8 gr)

Sunday, Dec. 4 - Christmas Pageant rehearsals begin!

Sunday, Dec. 4 - Middle School Book Club, 4pm

Friday, Dec. 9 - Wyld Life hosted at Snowmass Chapel, 7pm

Saturday Dec. 10 - 5:30 PM - Light Up The Night; 7 PM - "Messiah"

Sunday, Dec. 11 - Special kids' on-mountain worship and ski day

Sunday, Dec. 18 - Christmas Pageant performance during 9am service



Walking By Faith: The Word in the Week Ahead

Questions for the Advent season:

- How will I intentionally anticipate the coming of Christmas?
- What celebrations will I incorporate to help me prepare myself and our family for the birth of Christ?
- How can I focus more on Christ yet less on the "Christmas" season?



PRESENTATION OF THE BREAD AND WINE – AN INVITATION

We would like to invite families to begin bringing forward the bread and wine at the Offertory. Those who bring the gifts at The Lord's Supper represent all of us. If your family would like to sign up please see Jane after church or sign up on the bulletin board in the Creekside Room.



A BIG THANK YOU!

The Chapel community helped adopt 10 families through the Holiday Baskets program this year. It is a terrific volunteer program in the Roaring Fork Valley for over 30 years. Through Angel Gift tags and Holiday Baskets, 250 families receive gifts and food gift cards. Volunteers help wrap gifts, some donate money and others go shopping. Thank you for your support and participation!



MANY THANKS FOR HANGING THE GREENS!!

Heartfelt thanks to the many people who helped decorate the Chapel for Advent! It looks fabulous! Thank you Carol Batchelor, Tim Belinski, Matt and Ellen Dube, John Eckrich, Bradley Everhart, Nancy Ferguson, Chriss Flynn, Cecilia Garcia, Becky Ramsey, Dwayne Romero, Pete and Robin Strecker and any other helpers!



4TH ANNUAL LIGHT UP THE NIGHT SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!

It takes a village to light the dozens of trees around our beautiful little Chapel. Help light up the night by sponsoring a tree! The annual Light up the Night will be Dec. 10 at 5:30pm, followed by Aspen Choral Society's "Messiah." Please contact Jane Floyd at jane@snowmasschapel.org.



Order of Service

November 27, 2016 ~ First Sunday of Advent

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Peace

Call to Worship

In deep gratitude we come to worship God.

We recognize God as the source of all goodness.

All good gifts come from the Spirit of God:

love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, gentleness are all of God.

We come with grateful hearts, not for things, but for who God is.

We gather to show our gratitude in song and prayer.

Hymn of Praise

#788, *Now Thank We All Our God*

Wreath Blessing and Candle Lighting.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe. You sent Your Son to be the light of the world and to spread His light of love to all. Bless us and accept this wreath of light made from our hands. May its ever-increasing brightness be a sign to us of the approaching nearness of Your Son, that we might prepare in joy for His humble birth in a manger and be ready to receive Him at His coming again in glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. *Amen.*
The Forster Family. O Emmanuel, Jesus Christ, desire of every nation, Savior of all peoples, come and dwell among us. (From Christian Prayers)

Children's Message

Opening Prayer

God of all blessings, source of all life, giver of all grace:

We thank you for the gift of life: for the breath that sustains life, for the food of this earth that nurtures life, for the love of family and friends without which there would be no life.

We thank you for the mystery of creation: for the beauty that the eye can see, for the joy that the ear may hear, for the expanse of space that draws us beyond the definitions of our selves.

We thank you for this day: for life and one more day to love, for opportunity and one more day to work for justice and peace, for neighbors and one more person to love and by whom be loved, for your grace and one more experience of your presence, for your promise: to be with us, to be our God, and to give salvation.

For these, and all blessings, we give you thanks, eternal, loving God, through Jesus Christ we pray. *Amen.*

Hymn

#794, *Let All Things Now Living*

Special Music

Thus saith the Lord/But who may abide the day of his coming, from "Messiah" by G. F. Handel

Scripture Reading

Psalm 122 NLT
Matthew 24:36-44 NRSV

Sermon

Fitbit Faith - An Advent Walk with Jesus
Senior Pastor, Robert de Wetter

Prayers

Offertory

For behold, darkness shall cover the earth/The people that walked in darkness, from "Messiah" by G. F. Handel

Doxology

#815, *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Blessing of the Bread & Wine

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Communion

We receive the Lord's Supper by intinction. A communion server will hand you a piece of bread, representing the body of Christ, which you dip in the cup, representing the blood of Christ. All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

*Gluten-Free wafers available upon request **All of our communion wine is non-alcoholic

Closing Prayer

For each new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter of the night,
For health and food,
For love and friends,
For everything Thy goodness sends. We thank you loving God.
Amen.

- *Ralph Waldo Emerson* (adapted)

Closing Hymn

#790, *We Gather Together*

Blessing & Postlude

Our love in action now begins...