



THORNHILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
*To Discover, Celebrate and Share God's Love*

Sunday December 31, 2017  
First Sunday after Christmas

**We Prepare For Worship**

Praise Band

Organ Prelude

\*Processional Hymn *Christians, awake* **#135**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Welcome and Community Life News

Silent Reflection

*"When the time had fully come, God sent forth his son, born of a woman, born under the law, so that we might receive adoption as God's children." (Galatians 4:4,5)*

**We worship God**

The Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the Lord!

**People: Praise the Lord from the heavens!**

Leader: Praise God in the heights!

**People: Praise him all his angels!**

Leader: Praise him all his hosts!

**People: Praise the Lord**

Choral Introit

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Lord's Prayer *(debts)* (please see pew card)

Assurance of Pardon

Minister: The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Sharing the Peace of Christ

\*Praise Band *Go, tell it on the mountain* **#133**

**We Listen for God's Word**

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Luke 2:22-40 New Testament p.59

Leader: the word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

Choir When God Came Near Lantz III

Sermon The Song of Simeon T. Vais

\*Hymn *Twas in the moon of wintertime* **#144**

**We Respond to God's Word**

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

\*Doxology **#79**

\*Dedication of Offering

\*Recessional Hymn *Good Christians, all rejoice* **#141**

**We are Sent Out as God's People**

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Sung Benediction

**Go now in peace, never be afraid,  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,  
Know God will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe,  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen**

Organ Postlude\_\_\_\_\_

*\*if you are able, please stand*

*Welcome* We welcome everyone here today. We hope that you feel comforted in our fellowship and that you leave here refreshed and inspired in your personal life. You are invited to fill out a pew card.

**\*\*We welcome all children in worship or, if you prefer, we have a well-equipped nursery in our education wing. If you need to take a child out during the worship service, the service can still be heard in the lobby. Our ushers are available to assist you.**

## 2018 Envelopes

Offering envelopes for 2018 are now available out in the lobby. Please pick your box set up even though you may be on the PAR system. If you are currently not using numbered offering envelopes and would like a box of envelopes for 2018, please complete a pew Welcome Card indicating your request and place it in the offering plate or fill out the form in the lobby and put it in the office door mail slot.

### PAR Program – Pre-Authorized Remittance

Streamline your giving to TPC with automatic debits from your bank account on a monthly basis. This simplifies your giving and ensures regular donations to TPC throughout the year. Donations can be distributed exactly the same way as with a physical envelope. To take advantage of this simple and easy donation approach or to adjust your existing contributions please contact Stephanie Vandermey, our Envelope Secretary. Questions about the PAR program can be directed to Stephanie or to David Kerner of the Finance Committee.

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Donations of publically traded securities (stocks, bonds, mutual fund shares, etc) to TPC can be a smart, tax-effective alternative to cash donations. For details contact David Kerner of the Finance Committee.



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Custodian: Kirk McLeod

**Duty Elders: Doreen & Neil Murray and Jessica Chapman**

## UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS AT A GLANCE

**Wednesday January 3, 2018**

Sandwiches for Evangel Hall

**Sunday January 7, 2018**

11:00 am

Worship Service

- Please remember to **turn off cell phones** before you enter the Sanctuary. Thank you.
- Hearing assist systems are available for those who need them. Please speak with an usher
- Large print bulletins are available from the ushers



*Due to severe allergies and/or disabilities with some individuals please refrain from using products containing **PERFUMES OR SCENTS** (Including cologne, hair sprays or after-shave lotions).*