### **Announcements:**

- 1. Welcome & thank you for joining our third Sunday of Advent Worship Service. Please join our breakout room and/or fellowship after service.
- 2. Join us for our Christmas Worship Service next Sunday, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate Christmas with infant baptism during our Worship Service at 10:45 AM.
- 3. There will be a Christmas Eve Service on December 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 PM. Come and join us.
- 4. UP Fellowship is hosting a Christmas potluck and games on Thursday December 23 from 6-8pm in the Fellowship hall. Please RSVP by today through Instagram @upfellowship.fec, email upfellowship.fec@gmail.com, or the Facebook group FEC-UP.
- 5. We thank the Lord and all FEC members for a successful 2021 Annual Membership Meeting. We witnessed the enthusiastic participation of our members and the cooperative efforts of many who are involved in making this HYBRID meeting possible.

All seven consistory candidates were affirmed through the election:

Elected as Elder (Chinese Congregation) –

Amy Chiu Mei Cheng

Elected as Deacon (Chinese Congregation) -

Swan En Dychinco, Sufi Hung, Harry Tsang

(English Congregation) -

Chris Jansen Chua, Maria Luisa Coquinco,

Jhan Alexander Limhanchiong

Following RCA's Book of Church Order, the names of elected Elder and Deacons will be posted and announced for three consecutive Sundays before their ordination & installation. During this time, please feel free to bring any concerns or questions you may have before our pastors.

During FEC's 37th Anniversary Worship Service on January 23rd, 2022, we will witness and participate in the ordination and installation of our newly elected Elder and Deacons, and express our gratitude to consistory members taking a rest from active duties. Let's pray for God's continued provision and leading for FEC as we enter a new year.

- 6. Congratulations to Allen & Hannah Limhanchiong in the arrival of their first child, Abigail Hailey on December 7th, weighing 6 lbs.15 ounces. Both mother and baby are doing well.
- 7. Badminton will be on break starting next Sunday (Dec 19) 2021 until January 9, 2022

## **Prayer Items:**

- Pray that we, will come empty and poor in spirit to Jesus this Advent Season
- Pray for Sunday Schools (Children, youth, young adult) and small groups
- Pray for our Wednesday Prayer meeting, may the Lord send us more people to pray.

Week of:	December 13 - 19, 2021
13(Mon)	
14(Tues)	
15(Wed)	Prayer Meeting @ 8PM
16(Thurs)	
17(Fri)	Kairos(Grades 7-12)@ 7:00 PM
18(Sat)	
19(Sun)	Christmas Worship Service@ 10:45 AM Children Ministry @ 9AM CYA Life Group Sunday School @ 9AM
	Youth Sunday School @ 10AM Adult Sunday School @ 12:30PM

❖ To Join a Small Group: Please contact Rebecca Lim ( <a href="mailto:bclim@yahoo.com">bclim@yahoo.com</a>)

Attendance Last Sunday 上主日出席			
Combined Chinese Service	國語/閩語崇拜	52 人	
English 10:00AM Service	英語 10:00 崇拜	77 人	

# Servants of Ministry:

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Music Ministry: Tena Chu (t.chu@fec-richmond.com)

Children's Choir/Hand bell: Sharon Co (slim rose@hotmail.com)





## ORDER OF SERVICE Sunday Worship Service Third Sunday of Advent December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021

#### The Celebration

<u>Prelude</u> (Jhan)

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

<u>Praise and Worship</u> (Adrian, Aaron, Daphne, Jhan)

Prince of Heaven

Hope was Born this Night

It's Christmas/Away in a Manger/Go Tell It on a Mountain

**Congregational Prayer** 

(Pastor Charlie Chun)

Advent Candle Lighting (Eddie & Imelda Sy)

The Calling

Scripture Reading (Adrian)

Luke 2:8-20

Message (Pastor Sandy Hung)

"Good News of Great Joy"

#### **The Commitment**

**Response Song** (Adrian, Aaron, Daphne, Jhan)

**How Many Kings** 

<u>Tithes and Offering</u>
I Sing Praises To Your Name

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Welcome & Announcements (Pastor Charlie Chun)

<u>Doxology & Benediction</u> (Pastor Charlie Chun)

**Three-Fold Amen** 

Praise & Worship Team / Musicians: Adrian, Aaron, Daphne, Jhan Audio-visual /Technical Team: Michael, Set, Robert Ushers for the month: Randy Lam & Jeannie Law

**Notes from Sunday Message:** 

"Good News of Great Joy" Luke 2:8-20

December 12th 2021

8 And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. 9 An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. 11 Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. 12 This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."13 Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,14 "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."15 When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." 16 So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. 17 When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, 18 and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. 19 But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. 20 The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

Notes:

### Joy to the World! by Kurt Selles Scripture: Luke 2:8-20

I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. — Luke 2:10-11

I enjoy the Christmas season. I like the cheerful decorations, spending time with family and friends, and eating Christmas goodies. My favorite part of Christmas, by far, though, is singing carols—and, above all, "Joy to the World!"

"Joy to the world! The Lord is come," God's people announce at Christmastime. Based on Psalm 98, Isaac Watts's eighteenth-century carol celebrates the coming of Jesus, the Christ. The joy of the Savior's coming resounds throughout all of creation, even the fields and rocks and hills and plains "repeat the sounding joy." This is good news for all of God's world!

What's so good about this news announced each Christmas? Why sing this carol with such exuberance? Watts answers that question in the third stanza, where he declares that Jesus has come to deal with the curse of human sin and rebellion. Through his death and resurrection, Jesus brings the blessing as "far as the curse is found."

In Watts's hymn, this phrase repeats several times—and for good reason. Released from bondage to sin and the power of death over us, we are now freed to live with joy, to love God and our neighbor, and to cultivate the earth God has given us. So let's sing with joy that good news: "Joy to the world! The Lord is come"!

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Jesus, you have come and released us from the -power of sin and death. Help us to live in ways that proclaim the wonders of your love. Amen.

