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# STONE HILL CHURCH

December 21, 2025

Advancing God's mission of making dedicated followers of Jesus Christ

## Sunday Worship

9:00 & 11:30 a.m.

This week's theme:

Because Jesus is fully human and divine, He destroys death, the evil one, and the fear of death.

Call to Worship

Isaiah 9

Opening Hymn O Come, All Ye Faithful

Invocation

Choir Anthem This Christmastide

Advent Reading

Confession of Sin

Promise of Pardon

Worship in Song

Angels From the Realms of Glory

Christmas Day

Joy to the World (Joyful, Joyful)

Pastoral Prayer

Doxology

Sermon Hebrews 2:5-18 Pastor Tracy Troxel

Closing Hymn Good Christian Men, Rejoice

Benediction



### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DECEMBER 21, 2025

**New Here?** Welcome! We'd love to connect with you. Please take a moment to fill out a welcome card and stop by the Welcome Desk after the service to connect with us.

**Prayer at SHC.** Let the body of Christ pray for your prayer needs! Prayer teams are available at the front of the sanctuary and in the Observation Room after each service. For those who would like a larger audience to pray for them, requests can be sent to the prayer chain.

**Ornament Decorating.** Join us for ornament decorating this Sunday at 10:30 a.m. During this hour, we will also be serving hot chocolate and hearing some carols from Stone Hill Brass.

**Hope Explored.** Pastor Michael will be leading a discussion in the Ristuccia Library at 10:30 a.m. (12/21). The life, death and resurrection of Jesus will be presented, leading ultimately to discovering how Christ fulfils three great longings we all experience--hope, peace, and purpose. Email Pastor Michael for more information.

**Christmas Eve Service.** Join us for the candlelight Christmas Eve Service on Wednesday (12/24) at 6:00 p.m. There will be plenty of carols and Christ-centered teaching for all to enjoy. Please join us after the service for the cookie potluck. For all who are able, please bring around a dozen cookies to share with others!

New Year's Eve Potluck. We encourage everyone to attend the New Year's Eve Potluck Dinner sponsored by the Koinonia Team on Wednesday (12/31) from 5:30-7:30 p.m. It will be a great time of food and fellowship. All are welcome! Register here: bit.ly/NYE-SHC

What else is HAPPENING? Explore the Stone Hill Website to learn about our various ministries, serving opportunities, and more! Sign up for our newsletters here.

#### **2025 FINANCIAL UPDATE**

We are grateful that Stone Hill Church's mission continues to thrive by God's grace as dedicated followers of Jesus are built up in the Princeton area, in the northeast, and around the world. This is made possible by God's Spirit, your service, and your generous giving. For the remainder of the year, we will update and communicate this information so that you have the most up-to-date information as we approach the end of the calendar year...

As of December 18, we have received \$2,211,000 in gifts and income. Thank you and praise God for His provision. Our total projected expenses for the 2025 ministry year are \$2,780,000. Our hope and goal is to receive an additional \$569,000 by the end of year so that Stone Hill's mission will be fully-funded for 2025. This is a similar financial position compared to the past several years so we are hopeful and prayerful that God can continue to provide as we seek to extend the reputation of Jesus and His gospel as His people.

You can give online (bit.ly/giveSHC), via mail, or in the offering boxes in the back of the sanctuary. On behalf of the elder board, thank you for your year-end support of our ministry!

## HAVE A QUESTION?

### About Baptism or Membership?

Email members@stonehillprinceton.org

### **About Small Groups?**

Email smallgroups@stonehillprinceton.org

### **About Family Ministries?**

Email family@stonehillprinceton.org

### **About Young Adults Ministry?**

Email youngadults@stonehillprinceton.org

### About the Church Building or Scheduling an Event?

Email nathanielm@stonehillprinceton.org

#### **About Care or Benevolence?**

Email care@stonehillprinceton.org

#### **About Global Outreach?**

Email globaloutreach@stonehillprinceton.org

#### **About Communications?**

Email communications@stonehillprinceton.org

All other questions can be sent to info@stonehillprinceton.org and the church office will direct you to the right person.

**Volunteers Needed:** There are many serving teams who are in need of volunteers. Please consider serving as you are able, if even only once!

- •Cafe Team (8:00-9:00 a.m. and 12:45-1:15 p.m.) Ben Hancock
- Facilities (A/V team, Grounds, Sunday Assistant, Online Service, Laundry, Painting) Nathaniel Mariman
- Front Door Team (Atrium Hosts, Ushers, Welcome Desk during both worship services) Ben Hancock
- •Sunday Worship Service Musicians (Vocalists, Musicians, Organists) Amy Wells
- Nursery, Toddler and Preschool class volunteers at both services Betsy Ferrer
- •Social Media (experience with social media directly or general photography, graphic design, videography, etc) Daniel Dyer