

For Immediate Release

Central Presbyterian Church announces its annual Advent Christmas Epiphany

Atlanta, GA – November 18, 2016 - **Central Presbyterian Church**, an historic church located in downtown Atlanta, announces this year's upcoming Advent and Christmas season will kickoff with a Children's Advent Event this Sunday, Nov. 20 at 9 a.m.

Events are as follows:

The **Children's Advent Event** this Sunday, Nov. 20 from 9-10:30 a.m. will include advent-themed activities and games (for children ages 12 and younger). The morning will begin with breakfast at 9 a.m. Children's advent activities are 9:45-10:30 a.m. in Tull Hall.

Central's Jerusalem and Chancel Choirs and cast will offer **Amahl and the Night Visitors** by Gian-Carlo Menotti, Saturday, Dec. 3, 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 4, 2 p.m. in the Church Sanctuary. Admission is free. Donations will go to fund the Chancel Choir's Reformation Scotland Trip planned for the summer of 2017.

Prayer Labyrinth will be offered Tuesday, Dec. 6 from 6-7 p.m. in Tull Hall followed by **Taizé/Silent Night** Service including Wholeness & Healing with Deacons from 7-8 p.m. in Rand Chapel. The Taize service will include sung prayers, simple, beautiful music, a time of silence, spoken and silent prayers, and opportunity for individual prayer and anointing.

Free parking for this service is available on Washington Street in front of the church.

Worship Service for Sunday, Dec. 18 at 11 a.m. will include *Lessons and Carols* in celebration of the birth of Jesus. Most of Central's choirs will help to lead worship.

Central's annual **Christmas pageant** offered by the Children's Ministry will take place Saturday, Dec. 24 at 5 p.m. in the church sanctuary. The **Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service** will follow at 8:30 p.m.

Christmas Day Service will be offered at 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 25 in the sanctuary.

We will celebrate the **Epiphany and Baptism of the Lord** on Sunday, Jan. 8 at 11 a.m.

Free parking is available at the State of Georgia Department of Public Safety Garage located at 180 Central Avenue, SW for all events except for Prayer Labyrinth and Taizé on Tuesday, Dec. 6.

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About Central Presbyterian Church

Central Presbyterian Church is an historic church located at 201 Washington Street SW in Atlanta, Georgia. It was founded in 1858 and was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1986. During the 1930s, it became known as "the church that stayed" as other churches relocated to the suburbs. Central's ministries place an emphasis on social justice through advocacy, local and global mission work, and education.

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