



Our Mission: To serve and unite those we touch with the Grace of God.

Our Vision: Transforming lives to become the heart, hands and feet of Jesus in the world.

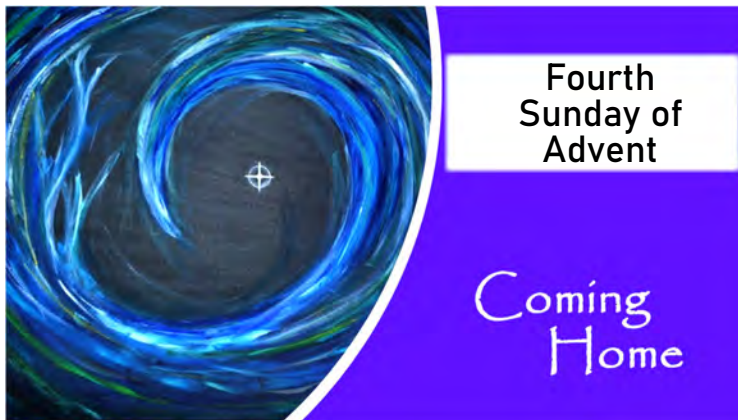
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December 19, 2021

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 a.m. Ser-

For everyone's safety, please wear a mask for today's service.



Prelude

“Yuletide Echoes”

- Hodson

Welcome and Announcements

Choir Introit

“The Advent of Our God is Nigh”

- Butler

***Call to Worship** *by Rev. Dr. Derek C. Weber; adapted by Pastor Amanda*

One: Something stirs deep within us – a longing, a hope,

All: A thirst for joy, a hunger for peace, a yearning for blessing.

One: We know deep within that our hopes and fears

All: Will soon be met by angel songs and the sigh of a baby.

One: It is Advent.

All: A season of waiting, hoping, yearning.

One: It is Advent.

All: It's time to go home.

***Hymn #198**

“My Soul Gives Glory to My God” verses 1 and 3

Advent Candle Reading & Lighting ~ Love Marthaline Davis Capard & Angel Capard

ADVENT CANDLE SONG

PAIGE MACKLIN

REFRAIN
Light the can- dle, light the can- dle, light the can- dle to- day.

We ce- le- brate a new be- gin- ning and Chist- mas on its way! *Fine*

VERSE 1
Light a can- dle for hope like the old pro- phe- cy

Of a sav- ior to come and set his peo- ple free. *D.C. al Fine*

Verse 2: Light a candle for **peace**, that Christ came to bring; In Bethlehem born, our Savior and King.

Verse 3: Light a candle for the **joy** God has given each one, in our Savior and King, who is God's only Son.

Verse 4: Light a candle for **love**, and a birth in the night. For the child in our hearts is a candle burning bright.

Refrain: Light the candle, light the candle, light the candle today. We celebrate a new beginning and Christmas on it's way!

Gospel Reading

Luke 1:39-45 ~ CEB trans.

Mary didn't waste a minute. She got up and traveled to a town in Judah in the hill country, straight to Zachariah's house, and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby in her womb leaped. She was filled with the Holy Spirit and sang out exuberantly. You're so blessed among women, and the babe in your womb, also blessed! And why am I so blessed that the mother of my Lord visits me? The moment the sound of your greeting entered my ears, the babe in my womb skipped like a lamb for sheer joy. Blessed woman, who believed what God said, believed every word would come true.

*Hymn #198 "My Soul Gives Glory to My God" verses 2 and 4

Time of Silence

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer *Unison*

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. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory

“Christmas Carol”

- Anonymous

***Doxology** - Hymn #94 *Projected*

***Offertory Prayer** *Unison*

Holy One, this Advent season we wait with love and we give with love. Love for you, our God; love for your diverse and beautiful people. Receive these generous offerings and use them for your works of love in our world. Amen.

Narrated by Bill
Macklin and Pastor
Amanda Lunemann



Narration arranged by
Joseph Martin

Hymn #221

“In the Bleak Midwinter” (verse 1)

congregation please join in

Poem

by Samuel Longfellow

Scripture

Isaiah 9:2

Song

“Looking for the Light”

- Schram

Scripture

Isaiah 7:14 and Luke 1:26-33

Song

“Breath of Heaven” (Mary’s Song)
Duet, Marcie Adams and Karla Nichols

Scripture

Luke 2:1-6

Song

“He is Born”
Flute, Valerie Webber

- arr. Schrader

Scripture

Luke 2:7-14

Song

“Ding Dong! Merrily On High”

- arr. Gray

Scripture

Luke 2:15-20

Song

“Run, Run to Bethlehem”

- Althouse

Scripture

Matthew 2:1-2

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Song "The Wonder of the Star" - Fetteke
Scripture Isaiah 9:6 and John 14:27
Hymn #245 "The First Noel" (verse 1) *congregation please join in*
***Blessing and Benediction**
***Song of Peace** *Projected*
Postlude "Angels We Have Heard on High" arr. Bock

The statements showing what has been pledged so far this year can be found in your mailboxes. To help save in postage costs, **PLEASE WALK DOWN BY THE OFFICE AND GRAB YOURS.**



for the holidays.

Because of the way Christmas and New Years falls this year, the office will be closed December 27th through January 3rd. The mail will be checked a couple times during this period. We will then resume to the hours we have been doing since the beginning of the pandemic— Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday—9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

<p>Christmas Eve Services ~ Welcome Home 4:00 p.m. - (Family Interactive Service) 10:00 p.m. - (Contemplative Candlelight Service)</p>	<p>We are very much in need of Worship Helpers for these services on December 24th. Please contact the office if you are able to help out. Thank you.</p>
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WORSHIP HELPERS: Serving us on Sunday, **December 26th** ~ 10:00 a.m. service:
Greeter: Kay Pasvogel; Usher: Rhonda Brown; Sound: Dave Chmielewski; Liturgist: Bill Macklin; Acolyte: Chmielewski

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