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"Join us for a drink of Living Water"



November 29, 2020 The First Sunday in Advent

We welcome you to the worship of God Almighty this Lord's Day. It is our intention to bring glory and honor to Him. God enters our time of worship and we remember this time belongs to Him.

Your Worship Commission

Meditation

The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighborhood. We saw the glory with our own eyes, the one-of-a-kind glory, like Father, like Son, generous inside and out, true from start to finish.

~ John 1:14-15, The Message

Our little time of suffering is not worthy of our first night's welcome home to Heaven.

~Samuel Rutherford

Westminster Chimes and Announcements

(During announcements, we ask members and visitors to please sign the Friendship Register and pass it on. Send them back down your row so you can note who is worshipping with you today. We invite visitors to give us your complete address.)

Prelude

'Largo in F Major'

~J.S. Bach

Lighting of the First Advent Candle

The McCowin Family

*Call to Worship

(from Romans 13:11-12)

Jud Herter, Lay Assistant

Leader: You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep.

People: Salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.

Leader: The night is far gone; the day is at hand.

People: Let us lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Come, let us

worship God!

*Praise and Worship

'Humble'

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (In unison)

Merciful God, always with us, always coming: we confess that we are not sure how to prepare for your Advent. We wrestle with doubt in the face of miracles; we ignore the promise of your kingdom; we are tempted to fall in with the powerful enemies of your arrival. Forgive us, Lord.

Grant us the simple worship of the shepherds, the intelligent courage of the Magi, and the patient faith of Mary and Joseph, that we may journey with them to Bethlehem and find the good news of your Son born for us. In your mercy, lead us to repent and prepare for your arrival. . . (silent prayers of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

*Creed

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Children's Message

Joel Cunniff, Children & Youth Director

Scripture Reading

Matthew 1:1-6, 18-25
Leader: The Word of the Lord ~
People: Thanks be to God ~

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^{*}Please stand, if you are able.

Sermon 'The Crown and Christmas' Rev. Scott Graham Series: Jesus' Family Tree of Faith – and Ours

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

"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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."

*Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Dismissing Hymn No. 124

'Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus'

*Benediction

Postlude

'Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates' ~ Psalmodia Evangelica

We're glad you joined us for worship today! Please wait for the ushers to tell you when your row may be excused. We encourage you to spend time conversing with others outside. Please keep your mask on while in the building unless a medical condition prevents it. We invite you to place your financial tithes and offerings in one of the boxes in the back of the sanctuary before or following service. Thank you.

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