

Service Of Worship

Second Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2024

Music Prelude/Lighting of Candles

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn of Preparation *Joyful! Joyful! We Adore Thee* #7

*Time of Greeting/Striking of the Hour

*Call to Worship

Pastor: The Lord has done great things for us; and so, we are glad.

People: Our mouths are filled with laughter, and our tongues with shouts of joy!

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Children's Story Time

WORSHIP THROUGH MEDIATION

Advent Reading Week Two: Anticipation

Leader: Anticipation and preparation go together. If we do not anticipate that something will happen, chances are that we will not prepare for it either. Anticipating Christ's return involves believing it will happen. It involves remembering what was foretold about him. As Christ was prophesied to come as a babe to Bethlehem (and to die upon the cross), so he is prophesied to come again to take us home. Anticipating Christ's return prompts, us to respond as John did: "Amen! Come, Lord Jesus!"

CONGREGATION: How does this relate to our anticipation of Christ's return?

Leader: As we prepare for Christ's return, we begin to anticipate and eagerly desire his return—leading us to actively prepare his way.

The Lighting of The Second Advent Candle

*Song of Mediation Glenna Hess

WORSHIP THROUGH PROCLAMATION

Morning Prayer

Special Music John Godfrey

Children depart for the Children's Worship Time

Scripture Isaiah 13:1-22

Sermon Dr. Burmahl
he Problem of Pride

WORSHIP THROUGH DEDICATION

*Hymn of Dedication *O Come, All Ye Faithful* #89

Invitation Prayer

*Benediction

Choral Response

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

*Time of Fellowship and Friendly Greeting

*All who are able please stand

Welcome! We welcome all those who worship with us today. If you are a guest, we want to give you a special welcome. If you are looking for a church home, we would count it an honor to have you make it here. A staffed **Nursery** is available for small children through the doors at the front right side of the sanctuary. We have a Children's Worship Time during the "Sermon" time. Children ages 3 yrs. old through 5th grade leave following the Offertory.

Sunday: 10:00 Sunday School.

10:55 Worship Service

1:30 Choir practice

3:00 Youth

Monday: 7:00 Cub Scouts

Wednesday: 7:00 Boy Scouts

Thursday: 6:00 Choir practice

6:30 Men's Bible Study

Next Sunday: 10:55 Worship Service and Cantata

All 2024 committee chairpersons need to call a meeting of the 2025 committee to elect a chairperson. Please give the new chairperson's name to Mary Griffin.

The **Christmas Card Exchange** box is in the Narthex. If you have Christmas cards for those who attend church here, you may leave them in the box for them to pick up. If you would like to donate for the cost of postage you save, the money will go to the Deacon Fund to help those in need.

There is a **list of at home members** of the church on the table in the Narthex. If interested pick up a copy and let them know you are thinking about them by sending a card, phone call, or any other way of showing God's love during the Christmas season.

The College Students' cards and mementos will be bagged during the middle of each month. Please remember to drop a card, gift card, or memento in the college students' baskets and keep them at the top of your prayer list!

Memorials have been made to the Memorial Fund in memory of Earl Murphy by Sammy Poe, Sandra Cotton, and the Faithful Followers SS Class.

Deacon on Call: David Jordan

Next Week: Dawn Morris

Greeters: Lily Currin, Vivian Cox, Sandra Cotton, and JoAnn Herring.

Next week: Layton Griffin, Patsy Thomas, Lauren Godfrey, and Faith Tannennbaum.

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