



**December 13, 2020**  
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## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

### Third Sunday in Advent

*Conventions in this bulletin include: an asterisk (\*) invites you to stand, as health allows, material printed in **bold** is for the congregation to sing or say.*

#### PRELUDE

"People, Look East" - Callahan  
 "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" - Roberts

#### \*HYMN 93

*Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

At every beginning there is a yearning.

**O Emmanuel, wake us up to your coming.**

Transform our hearts to expect the unexpected and imagine the unimaginable.

**O Emmanuel, wake us up to your coming.**

#### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

#### RESPONSE

Cantor: I am sending my messenger before you who will prepare your way before you.

*Cantor*

*All*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Light a can - dle of Joy for the com - ing of Christ. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

RESPONSE



WELCOME

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**We confess our souls are troubled and tired. Our world is tumultuous. We want to sing and shout your mighty acts just as Mary did. Yet we wonder where you are. We cry for you in the shadows of silence. Will you answer us? Will you save us? Help us bring our doubt, fears, and anger to you. Remind us you are more powerful than the worst circumstance. Restore in us hearts overflowing with gladness.**

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON

**Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

**\*RESPONSE (GTG p.95) *Prepare the Way of the Lord*  
Prepare the way of the Lord. Prepare the way of the Lord,  
and all people will see the salvation of our God.**

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**God of love and power, You are revealed to us in Your Word, in accounts of prophecy and fulfillment that direct our attention to Jesus Christ. Illumine us now as we hear Your Word proclaimed, that we may open our hearts to Him, yearn for His coming in glory, and serve Him with joy. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 6: 1-11

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

\*HYMN 89

*For You, O Lord, My Soul In Stillness Waits*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1: 46b-55

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Terra Pennington

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Apostles' 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.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

*"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" - Hobby*

Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art, dear desire of ev'ry nation, joy of ev'ry longing heart. Born thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a king; born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by thine all sufficient merit, raise to thy glorious throne. Rule in all; hope of all. Come expected Jesus. Come.

**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.**

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 105**

*People, Look East*

**POSTLUDE**

"Festive Postlude on 'Truro'"

*Worship continues with our service in life.*

**Worship Leaders**

Rev. Will Wilson, Pastor  
Gala Eubank Strunk, Organist-Choirmaster  
Lindsay Farrow, Preston Orr, Taylor Owens,  
Blake Stephens, Choral Ensemble

**Session**

**Class of 2020**

Jerry Camp  
Ryan Griffin  
Debby Leppert  
Jan Wylie

**Class of 2021**

Janie Dickerson  
Trey Hattaway  
Tom Sartor  
Terry Thrower

**Class of 2022**

David Castles  
Brian Johnson  
Janie Terrell  
Pat Watson

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**December 13 - 20**

**TODAY** 10:00 a.m. Live Stream Worship  
**SATURDAY** Saturday Bread – Tom & Linda Sartor  
**WEDNESDAY** 5:30 p.m. Zoom Session Meeting  
**SUNDAY NEXT** 10:00 a.m. Live Stream Worship

**Joys and Concerns**

(\*members of FPC; \*friends and family of congregation)

- \* Helen George Bolt
- \* Joel Camp
- \* Gail Grisham
- \* Verner Laird
- \* David Nixon
- \* Tine Zapata
- \* Raymond Bazinet
- \* Joe Brown
- \* Max Brant Crim
- \* Legene Gay
- \* Kenzie Hyatt
- \* Tillman Latham
- \* Donna Marshall
- \* Rex McCubbin
- \* Dayne Neal
- \* Bill Pybas
- \* Gordon Reed
- \* Alan Rhodes
- \* Sharon Schoenemann
- \* Danny Strickland
- \* Larry & Linda Willis
- \* Rexine Burden
- \* Kristina Galvan
- \* Cheyenne Kirkpatrick
- \* Nicholas Little
- \* Jan Mankins Warren
- \* Sylvia Bolding
- \* Tara Castles
- \* Linda Curkan
- \* Ashley Haden
- \* Don Kiser
- \* Jimmy Love
- \* Pat McCrory
- \* David McElroy
- \* Larry Perkins
- \* Charlotte Reed
- \* Glenda Reid
- \* Cecelia & Roland Sanders
- \* Jamie Stephens
- \* Billie Clower Watson
- \* Carly Wimberley

**In Service to our Country**

Jacob Conner                      Brent Duvall  
Robert Gray                        Gavin Jackson

**The Poinsettias in the sanctuary for Advent are in Memory of:**

Frank Brown  
 Nelwyn Collum  
 Lynn Currin  
 Winston & June Gardner  
 Elsie & George Gause  
 Helen Goodwin  
 Nancy Grisham  
 Bill & Jean Hughes  
 Gore & Betty Kemp  
 Lance Harlan Laird  
 Marion Lightfoot  
 James E. & Virginia Mankins  
 John Mobley  
 Mr & Mr J A Monroe  
 Jeff Moore & Family  
 Thomas & Waurine Nixon  
 Jerry & Shalia Pybas  
 Bill & Imogene Rivers  
 Martha Rorschach  
 Caroline Ross  
 Mr & Mrs Sam Ross  
 Ebbye & Joe John Short  
 Katherine Smylie  
 William R Smylie  
 Betty Spradlin  
 Edwin G. & Justine Stanley  
 Billy Bob & Jane Terrell  
 J B & Dorothy Watson  
 Linda Watson  
 Bobbie Wylie

**And in Honor of:**

Lila Currin  
 Kathryn Dean  
 Joe & Ella Gorman  
 Burke Green  
 Grayson & Emma LaCroix  
 Sophie Leppert  
 Jimmy Thrower  
 Graham & Jack Tyra

**Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates 93**

1 Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates; be - hold the  
 2 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a  
 3 Re - deem - er, come! I o - pen wide my heart to

King of glo - ry waits; the King of kings is  
 tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for  
 thee; here, Lord, a - bide. Let me thy in - ner

draw - ing near; the Sav - ior of the world is here.  
 heaven's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer and love and joy.  
 pres - ence feel; thy grace and love in me re - veal.

# For You, O Lord, My Soul 89

## in Stillness Waits

### My Soul in Stillness Waits

*Refrain* Am Dm F G A B<sup>b</sup> C Am7 Dm *Fine*

For you, O Lord, my soul in still-ness waits; tru-ly my hope is in you.

Dm Am Dm Am Dm

1 O Lord of Light, our on - ly hope of glo - ry,  
 2 O Spring of Joy, rain down up - on our spir - its;  
 3 O Root of Life, im - plant your seed with - in us,  
 4 O Key of Knowl - edge, guide us in our pil - grim-age;  
 5 Come, let us bow be - fore the God who made us;  
 6 Here we shall meet the Mak - er of the heav - ens,

Am Dm Am Dm Am

your ra-diance shines in all who look to you; come, light the  
 our thirst - y hearts are yearn - ing for your word; come, make us  
 and in your ad - vent, draw us all to you, our hope re -  
 we ev - er seek, yet un - ful-filled re - main; o - pen to  
 let ev - ery heart be o - pened to the Lord, for we are  
 Cre - a - tor of the moun-tains and the seas, Lord of the

Dm Am G C Am7 Dm Am Dm *to Refrain*

hearts of all in dark and shad - ow.  
 whole, be com - fort to our hearts.  
 born in dy - ing and in ris - ing.  
 us the path - way of your peace.  
 all the peo - ple of God's hand.  
 stars, and pres - ent to us now.

# 105 People, Look East

1 Peo - ple, look east. The time is near of the  
 2 Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more  
 3 Birds, though you long have ceased to build, guard the  
 4 Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim one more  
 5 An - gels, an - nounce with shouts of mirth Christ who

crown - ing of the year. Make your house fair as you are  
 seed is plant - ed there. Give up your strength the seed to  
 nest that must be filled. E - ven the hour when wings are  
 light the bowl shall brim, shin - ing be - yond the frost - y  
 brings new life to earth. Set ev - ery peak and val - ley

Peo - ple, look

a - ble; trim the hearth and set the ta - ble.  
 nour - ish, that in course the flower may flour - ish.  
 fro - zen God for fledg - ing time has cho - sen.  
 weath - er, bright as sun and moon to - geth - er.  
 hum - ming with the word, the Lord is com - ing.