

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, December 1, 2013
Morning Worship | 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am

Let us enter the Sanctuary in a spirit of meditation in preparation for worship.

Welcome – Greeting of the People – Announcements

Prelude

“Berceuse”

Jean-Michel Vaccaro

Adam Kunsberg, tenor saxophone; Angelina Savoia, harp

*Congregational Introit

“Ye Gates Lift Up Your Heads on High”

St. George’s, Edinburgh

Ye gates lift up your heads on high; ye
doors that last for ay — be lift-ed up, that — so the King of —
glo - ry en - ter may! But who of glo - ry is the
King? The might-y Lord is this, Ev'n that same Lord, that
great — in — might — and strong in bat-tle is. Ev'n that same Lord, that
great — in — might — and strong — in — bat - tle — is.
Al - le-lu - ia! Al - le-lu - ia! Al - le-lu - ia! Al - le-lu - ia! Al - le-lu - ia!
A - men, A - men, A - men.

*Prayer of Invocation and Adoration

*Hymn of Adoration No. 124

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

Hyfrydol

Sharing of Family News

Prayer of Intercession

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 3:1-19

pages 2-3, pew Bible

***Hymn**

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”

Picardy

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the body and the blood,
He will give to all the faithful his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish as the shadows clear away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph, cherubim, with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry,
“Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Lord most high!”

Call for the Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Passing of Friendship Register

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

15th Century Plainsong
arr. Thomas Durham

Sanctuary Choir;

Logan Webber, tenor; Valerie Kraft, soprano;

Angelina Savoia, harp

O come, O come, Emmanuel and ransom captive Israel,
That into exile drear is gone far from the face of God's dear Son.

O come thou branch of Jesse! Draw the quarry from the lion's claw;
From dreaded caverns of the grave, from nether hell, thy people save.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee O Israel!

O come thou Lord of David's key! The royal door fling wide and free;
Safeguard for us the heavenward road, and bar the way to death's abode.

O come, O come, thou Dayspring bright! Pour on our souls thy healing light;
Dispel the long night's lingering gloom, and pierce the shadows of the tomb.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O Come, O Come, Adonai, Who in thy glorious majesty
From that high mountain clothed with awe gavest thy folk the elder law.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

New Testament Reading

Revelation 12:1-17

pages 1034-35, pew Bible

Sermon

“The Seed”

Dr. Robert M. Norris

1st in the series, “The Longed For Savior”

***Hymn**

“On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”

Winchester New

On Jordan’s bank the Baptist’s cry announces that the Lord is nigh;
Awake and hearken for He brings glad tidings of the King of kings.

Then cleansed be every heart from sin; make straight the way for God within,
Prepare we in our hearts a home, where such a mighty Guest may come.

For You are our salvation, Lord, our refuge and our great reward;
Without Your grace we waste away, like flowers that wither and decay.

Stretch out Your hand, to heal our sore, and make us rise to fall no more;
Once more upon Your people shine, and fill the world with love divine.

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation to Communion

***Declaration of Faith—The 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 Spirit, 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 at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Prayer of Confession**

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature, our shortcomings, and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your way, in wasting Your gifts, and in forgetting Your love. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, who are ashamed and sorry for all that displeases You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your own dear Son. Speak afresh to us the Gospel of Your grace, and remind us that if we confess our sins, You are faithful and just to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In Your Son is our salvation, in Your promises our hope. Take us for Your children and give us the Spirit of Your Son, and in the end receive us into Your glory, through Jesus Christ our only Savior. Amen.

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration and the Lord’s Prayer

Distribution of the Elements of the Lord’s Supper

Passing of the Peace

***Communion Response**

“All Praise to You, Eternal Son”

Winchester New

All praise to You, eternal Son, whose advent has our freedom won,
Whom with the Father we adore, and Holy Spirit, evermore.

Benediction

Postlude

“Savior of the Nations, Come”

Paul Manz

**Congregation standing.*

Participating Officers:

8:00 Tim Horst

9:30 Sid Menkis

11:00 Sid Menkis

Elders are available for prayer or ministry at the front of the Sanctuary at the conclusion of each service.

The flowers are provided in thanksgiving for the Thar family and their Kingdom—building ministry in West Africa, and in memory of their sweet son James Thar (November 2, 1993- October 8, 2001), already in the Throne Room!

With Love from your Fourth Family

**The morning worship service is broadcast each Sunday at 11:00am locally on WAVA 105.1 FM
and worldwide by Internet streaming audio at www.wava.com.**

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New Members Class #66
Received at Session Meeting, November 20, 2013

Burlie Brunson
Lois Brunson
Caitlin Edgar
Joel Fuller
Susan Fuller
Andrew Grace
Martha Grace

Alec McClelland
Carol McClelland
Soolim Ketehouli
Terence Little
George McPherson
Leanne McPherson
Liz Merkel
Sharon O'Halloran

Trent Pickle
Sally Pickle
Tyler Nicole Tuchtan
Don Walker
Maggie Ware
Monica Watkins
Gairong Zhang

Tonight's Evening Service, 6pm

Advent by Candlelight
6pm in the Sanctuary
With instrumentalists and carols
"Rejoicing at Jesus' Voice"
John 3:29-30
Rev. Blair Smith

Stewardship & Finance

GENERAL GIVING

Annual Budget	\$ 4,638,691
Year to Date Budget	\$ 3,552,161
Year to Date Received	\$ 3,178,029

Advent
2013

Second Sunday of Advent
Next Sunday, December 8

Morning Service
8:00, 9:30, 11:00am
"The Virgin" | *Luke 1:26-38*
Dr. Robert M. Norris

Evening Service

Children's Christmas Celebration
6pm in the Upper Room

8th Annual production of the historic
York Nativity Play
performed by the children of Fourth, with music
by Ring Forth! and Celebration Choir.

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