

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, November 30, 2014
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

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

Paul Manz

*Congregational Introit

“Ye Gates Lift Up Your Heads on High”

St. George, 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

***Confession 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.

***Hymn No. 623—Gloria Patri**

Anthem

“Light a Candle in the Night”

Lloyd Larson

Celebration Choir; Vicki Fanara, director, Kelly Heagy, accompanist, Danae Englebrecht, violin

Light a candle in the night, prepare the way for the Holy Light,
God with us, Emmanuel, eternal hope with us to dwell.

Child of hope, come in Your glory, Heaven’s gift—the wondrous story!
Messiah King shall come to earth; prepare your heart for His holy birth!

Light a candle in the night, prepare the way for the Holy Light,
God with us, Emmanuel, unending love with us to dwell.

Child of love, come in Your glory, Heaven’s gift—the wondrous story!
Messiah King shall come to earth; prepare your heart for His holy birth!

O come to my heart, Lord Jesus; there is room in my heart for Thee!

Sharing of Family News

Prayer of Intercession and Lord’s Prayer

8:00 Dr. Todd Smedley

9:30 Rev. Dave O’Connell

11:00 Rev. Ron Meyer

New Testament Reading

Luke 1:68-79

pages 856-7, 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

“Come, Emmanuel”

Ola Gjeilo

Sanctuary Choir; Traci Klemm, piano

Come, Thou Redeemer of all the earth, manifest Thy virgin birth.
Let every age adoring fall; such birth befits the God of all.

Come, holy Jesus, our Savior and King, now Thy saving power bring.
Rule in all our hearts alone; and raise us to Thy glorious throne.

O come, blessed Savior. We glorify Thee whose advent sets Thy people free.
Come, blessed Jesus, let all adore the Christ Child, our Savior forevermore.

O come, Emmanuel. Come Emmanuel.

~ adapted from Ambrose of Milan; translated by John M. Neale

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 11:1-10

pages 575-6, pew Bible

Sermon

“The Branch”

Dr. Robert M. Norris

1st in a series, Remembering Jesus—“The Offspring of David”

Passing of the Peace

*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.

Benediction

Postlude

“Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying”

Paul Manz

Participating Officer:

8:00 Doug Scott

9:30 Chris Thatch

11:00 Skip Gnehm

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

Sanctuary flowers are a ministry of the Women of Fourth Flower Committee.

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New Members Class #68
Received at Session Meeting, November 19, 2014

Diane Anderson
Suk See DeRavin
Ed Hearle
Pat Hearle
John Hoobler
Cecelia Hubach
Fred Hubach

Dave Lambert
Marget Reneberg
Bob Reynolds
Katrina Reynolds
Charles Robinson
Bette Sheridan
Laura Whalen

Tonight's Evening Service, 6pm

Evening Service, 6pm in the Sanctuary

Advent by Candlelight

A program of instrumental music
and Christmas carols.

"Rejoice in God Our Savior," | Psalm 47:1-9
Rev. Ron Meyer

Stewardship & Finance

GENERAL GIVING

Annual Budget	\$ 4,760,418
Year to Date Budget	\$ 3,567,594
Year to Date Received	\$ 3,276,427

Advent
2014

Second Sunday of Advent
Next Sunday, December 7

Morning Service, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am

"The Servant"

Isaiah 42:1-13

Dr. Todd Smedley

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.

York Nativity Plays

Saturday, December 6, 2pm in the Upper Room

(open dress rehearsal)

Sunday, December 7, 6pm in the Upper Room

The Christmas story is dramatized with music and
movement, performed by children, for children of all ages.

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