

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, December 4, 2016
Morning Worship | 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am

Welcome

Prelude

“Prepare the Way”
James Steele, alto saxophone; Esther Steele, piano

Dale Melody
arr. Jalkeus & Bricault

*Congregational Introit

“Ye Gates, Lift Up Your Heads”

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.

*Call to Worship

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn No. 131

“Angels, from the Realms of Glory”

Regent Square

Sharing of Family News

Prayer of Intercession

8:00 Mr. Terence Little

9:30 Dr. Robert Norris

11:00 Rev. Corey Gray

Old Testament Reading

Daniel 9:24-27

page 747, pew Bible

Lighting of the Advent Candle

8:00 Kim Gutschick

9:30 The Redd Family

11:00 The Elliott Family

***Hymn No. 123**

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

Veni Emmanuel

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

8:00 Tim Horst

9:30 John Hocker

11:00 Doug Smoot

Offertory

“The First Noel”

Sanctuary Choir; Colin Johnson, bass

traditional English Carol

arr. Dan Forrest

The first Nowell the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay, keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star shining in the east beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

(The congregation is invited to stand and join in singing.)

Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
That hath made heaven and earth of nought, and with His blood mankind hath bought.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

***11:00—Hymn No. 624—Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

New Testament Reading

Matthew 24:15-28

pages 829–830, pew Bible

Sermon

“Tribulation”

Dr. Todd Smedley

2nd in the Advent series, “What to Expect When You’re Expecting”

***Hymn No. 127**

“Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”

Margaret

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.

Advent

2016

Tonight's Evening Service, 6:00pm

Advent by Candlelight

Fourth Orchestra and Jubilate Quartet

"Understanding the Times"

Romans 13:11-14

Rev. Ron Meyer

Third Sunday of Advent

Next Sunday, December 11

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

"Son of Man"

Matthew 24:29-35

Dr. Todd Smedley

Evening Service, 6:00pm

A Festival of Lessons and Carols

Sanctuary, High School and Covenant Choirs, Orchestra, and soloists

"Peace on Earth"

Colossians 1:19-20

Dr. Todd Smedley

A room with live feed of the evening services will be open for parents who need to care for their children, 3 & under.

Stewardship & Finance

GENERAL GIVING

Annual Budget	\$ 4,547,918
Year to Date Budget	\$ 3,401,185
Year to Date Received	\$ 3,485,382

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