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Bulletin

December 4, 2016
2nd Sunday of Advent
8:45 am

Thought for the day

“God of the open window, the star-drenched sky, the gathering dawn; God of every creature that takes flesh and form from your own desire; when night is at its deepest, may I know the comfort of home beneath your welcoming wind, that when day comes to the window, I may gather up my dreams and fly.”

—Jan L. Richardson

***Gathering Songs**

“Fear Not”

“Come Emmanuel” W&S 3130

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Rev. Frank Hallock

***Advent Candle Lighting Song**

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (Vs. 2)

UMH 211

***Lighting the Advent Candle**

—Katie, Rob, Keira and Amy Pierce

The season of Advent is here. The stars pop in the night and call us toward home.

We are people of Peace. We trust the Blessing of God, with Joy that is to come.

We light the second candle of the season. We claim this sacred time to remember the justice of God as we wander the wilderness.

Yes! It is God’s justice we crave and cling to. God, show us the prophets who will lead us home, to YOU!

Children dismissed to Sunday School

They will return to the sanctuary following the sermon to receive communion with you as a family.

***Songs of Joy**

“Glorify Thy Name” FWS 2016

“Lo, How a Rose E’re Blooming” UMH 216

Scripture

Isaiah 11:1-10 in the Old Testament

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us,

People: Praise be to God.



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Community Prayer

Gentle God, you know that for us, this is a season of hopes and fears. We are caught up in the work of the world. We worry about letting others down. We have a list of things that stress us out. For these moments of worship, we cast all of this out to you. Slow us down. Help us to place our anxiety in your hands. Open us to be channels of peace for the people around us. Through the grace of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Special Music

"I'll Be Home for Christmas" (Gannon/Kent)

Praise Band

Scripture

Matthew 3:1-12 in the New Testament

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us,

People: Praise be to God.

Message

"God's Home"

Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Offering our Gifts

Song of Blessing (fDoxology)

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Offertory Prayer

Gracious God, we lift our voices to glorify you! You sent your Son Jesus to lead us in wisdom and mercy. His kindness to the poor and meek reveals the harmony of your heavenly kingdom. Help our church's ministries to demonstrate your love for the world. We dedicate our tithes and offerings to bless people in our community who are searching for Christ's abiding peace. We pray in his name. Amen.



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Song before Communion

“Here Is Bread, Here Is Wine” FWS 2266

Holy Communion with the Great Thanksgiving *UMH 15-16*

All are welcome at the Lord’s Table. We receive communion by coming forward, taking a piece of bread and dipping it in the cup. If you are not able to come forward, please indicate that to your usher, and communion will be brought to you. We use unfermented juice so all people may receive.

Song of Sending

“The King of Glory Comes”

Benediction

At this time, you may join hands for the Benediction.

**Please stand if you are able.*



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This Sunday...

*Liturgist: Ranae Mathias; Acolyte(s): Lorelei and Kendall; Video Tech: Billy Stempson; and Sound Tech: Suzanne McMurchie. *Unless otherwise noted, scripture is from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

Next Sunday...

Video Tech: Billy Stempson
Sound Tech: Trent Hamlin
Liturgist: Madelyn Knight
Acolyte(s): Leo and Taylor

***Flowers are given by:
Yoder, Proodian and Miller families
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