

# SERVICE OF WORSHIP

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 4, 2016 | 8:45 & 11:00 AM



PRELUDE

“BRING A TORCH, JEANETTE, ISABELLA”  
Pam Weis, Organ

Trad. French Melody; arr. Harris

WELCOME

Allan Smith

OPENING SENTENCES

Amanda Atkin

Jesus says: I am coming soon.

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!**

A voice cries out in the wilderness:

**Prepare the way of the Lord!**

Let us worship God.

♣ CAROL 244

COME, THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS

HYFRYDOL

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE

[8:45] Bill Judd

[11:00] Diane White, Dot Thomason

RESPONSE

ALL ARE WELCOME

Haugen

(Children are invited to come to the front during this song)

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly live,  
A place where saints and child - dren tell how hearts learn to for - give.  
Built of hopes and dreams and vis - ions, rock of faith and vault of grace.

*Refrain*  
In our Ad - vent, may we claim to - geth - er: All are wel - come,  
Christ and neigh - bor, All are wel - come in this place.



## CHORAL REFLECTION

"GOD IS WITH US"  
Student Choir with Mackenzie Boone, solo

Kirkpatrick; arr. Allen

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 11:1-3, 6, 10

Student Readers

## ✦ CAROL

HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

Hughes

Verse 1: Solo (1st time)



1. Light of the world, You stepped down in- to dark - ness, o-pened my eyes, let me see  
2. King of all days, oh so high - ly ex - alt - ed, glo-rious in heav-en a - bove;



Beau-ty that made this heart a - dore You, hope of a life spent with You.  
Hum-bly You came to the earth You cre-a - ted, all for love's sake be - came poor.



Refrain

Here I am to wor-ship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God.



You're al-to-geth-er love-ly, al-to-geth-er wor- thy, al-to-geth-er won-der-ful to me.

## ✦ OFFERTORY PRAYER

Ernest Carraway

## OFFERTORY

"LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE"  
Handbell Choir

arr. Behnke

*Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;  
Set your minds on things eternal, for with blessing in his hand  
Christ our God to earth descended, come our homage to command.*

*King of kings, yet born of Mary, once upon the earth he stood;  
Lord of lords we now perceive him in the body and the blood.  
He has given to all the faithful his own self for heavenly food.*

## ✦ RESPONSE

ADVENT PRAISE

ADESTE FIDELES (refrain)

Praise God who sent the Christ-Child;  
Praise Jesus born among us;  
And praise the Comforter, bringing peace on earth.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 3:1-12

Jamie Mabe

Leader: May God add understanding to the reading of the lesson.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CHORAL ANTHEM

“CELTIC ADVENT CAROL”

Angerman, Barrett

Adult Choir with Lee Ann Spahr, Flute

Be not afraid, I bring you good news. The Savior is coming in glory to you. He shall be called “God Holy One.”

Will you be ready? Will you be ready? Will you be ready for Him when He comes?

*Light the candle, Jesus is coming. Open your hearts, prepare ye the way.*

*Sleepers awake, soon is the dawning. He will turn night into glorious day, He will turn night into day.*

Be of good cheer and put away fear, the light now is coming to dry every tear.

Love now with us, God’s perfect Son.

Will you be ready? Will you be ready? Will you be ready for Him when He comes?

Veni, Emmanuel (*Come, Emmanuel*). Captivum solve Israel (*and ransom captive Israel*).

Veni, Emmanuel. Jesus is coming. Jesus is coming. Could He be coming today?

SERMON

“PLEASE DON’T INVITE JOHN!”

Sean Allen

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE

Comfort the afflicted, and afflict the comfortable.

- FINLEY PETER DUNNE

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Sean Allen

COMMUNION

✠ PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

✠ CAROL 292

THOU DIDST LEAVE THY THRONE  
Stanzas 1 and 2

MARGARET

✠ SENDING SONG 245

O COME, O COME EMMANUEL  
Stanza 4

VENI EMMANUEL

O come, Desire of nations, bind all peoples in one heart and mind.  
Bid envy, strife and quarrels cease; Fill the whole world with heaven’s peace.  
Rejoice! Rejoice!  
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

✠ BENEDICTION

Sean Allen

POSTLUDE

“ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH”  
Handbell Choir

arr. Brengle

