



**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT**  
**DECEMBER 18, 2022**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL - 8:45 AM    WORSHIP - 10 AM**



**A WARM WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS**

**PASTOR DAVE HANSEN (912) 826-2711**

- ◆ You are here by God's calling and we extend Christ's hospitality to you this day.
- ◆ Restrooms and a nursery are located in the backside hallway. Look for the horseshoe cross.
- ◆ Amplified hearing aids are available at the usher stand by the double doors. Ask anyone for help at any time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / MUSICAL PRELUDE

▼ = SIT    ▲ = STAND

MUSICIAN: SHELLY HOBBS

▲ **ENTRANCE HYMN - #34 OH, COME, OH, COME, EMMANUEL** *(Sung)*

▲ **ADVENT CONFESSION** *(Spoken)*

We are gathered in the name of the Triune God, **Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**  
God calls the world through the gospel of his Son; **To obedience which comes from faith.**  
We are called to live as God's beloved saints; **As those who belong to Jesus Christ.**  
Lord God, you call us to live in the grace and peace which you offer through your Holy Son.  
**Stir up our faith, O Lord, that from our hearts we offer our lives to your service and love one another.**

*(Silent confession, especially for those ways we have failed to live out our living faith.)*

In the love of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, he gives the power to live as his hopeful children and bestows on them his Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

▲ **ADVENT KYRIE** *(Spoken)*

As people of peace, to our heavenly Father let us pray. **Lord, have mercy.**  
For the peace Christ Jesus alone can bring to the world, let us pray, **Lord, have mercy.**  
For the peace the Holy Spirit can bring to our hearts, let us pray... **Lord, have mercy.**  
For God's holy presence in our worship this hour, let us pray... **Lord, have mercy.**  
Help, save, comfort and defend us from every evil, gracious Lord. **Amen. Lord, have mercy. Amen.**

▼ **LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE** - Katie & Kenny Whitten, Lucas, Joshua

Isaiah 7:10-17 *(p.679)*

Advent Song + Lighting of Candle *(Remain Seated, Sung. Tune: Go Tell It On The Mountain)*

**Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and ev'rywhere; Go tell it on the mountain, the Day of God is near. A sign from God is given: "the virgin will give birth." Immanuel - God With Us - shall rule o'er all the earth. Go tell it on the mountain, the Day of God is near.**

Prayer *(Spoken)*

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Take away the hindrance of our sins and make us ready for the celebration of your birth, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always; **for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

▼ **EPISTLE READING** - Romans 1:1-7 *(p. 1116)*

▼ **KCJAM / CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

▲ ADVENT GOSPEL VERSE *(Sung, Tune: From Heaven Above)*

**Speak unto us, O noble Guest, that we may by your word be blest.  
Help us to hear God's holy voice and in his gracious will rejoice!**

▲ GOSPEL READING & RESPONSES - Matthew 1:18-25 *(Spoken, p. 959)*

**Glory to you, O Lord / Praise to you, O Christ**

▼ SERMON *(Sit)*

▲ HYMN OF THE DAY - #315 LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING *(Sung)*

▲ APOSTLES' CREED *(Spoken)*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living 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**

▲ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

▼ ADULT CHOIR

▲ OFFERING

▲ OFFERTORY *(Sung, Tune: What Child is This)*

**So bring him incense, gold and myrrh; Come peasant, king, to own him. The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving hearts enthrone him. Raise, raise the song on high, The virgin sings her lullaby; Joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary!**

▲ OFFERING PRAYER *(Spoken)*

**We offer, Father, our gifts and praise, a joyful return for the gift of your Son. Amen**

▲ COMMUNION DIALOG *(Sung, Tune: Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful)*

The Lord God be with you. **And with you, His servant.**

Oh, come, let us lift our hearts unto the Lord.

**With hearts uplifted, thanks to Him we render**

**With joy we come before Him, In gratefulness implore Him,**

**With thankful hearts adore Him evermore!**

▲ PREFACE *(Spoken)*

Thanks and praise be to You, our Father, Almighty Creator, Merciful Lord, God of Promise and Fulfillment. Of old Your faithful people waited for the day of visitation, manifest at last when the time had fully come and You sent forth Jesus Christ, Your Son. Having seen His glory, now we wait for the day of consummation, when He will come again as Judge and King. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

▲ THE SANCTUS *(Sung, Tune: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing)*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord! God of hosts, by all adored!  
Heav'n and earth cannot contain All the glory of your name!  
Hail hosanna, God most high! Blest is He who now draws nigh, In the name of God the King!  
Hallelujahs glad we sing. Hail, Hosanna! Praises due, Be forever, Lord to you!**

▲ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

▲ LORD'S PRAYER *(Sung, Tune: It Came Upon a Midnight Clear)*

**Our Father, Lord on heav'n's high throne, / Most holy be Your name.  
Your Kingdom come, Your will be done, / On earth, in heav'n the same.  
Give us this day the food we need; / Forgiven may we be;  
Into temptation do not lead; / From evil set us free.**

**Yours is the kingdom; Unto You / in grateful love we bow;  
And yours the pow'r, Lord, let us view / Your mighty presence now.  
The glory Yours; Your praise be sung / By angel host and men  
In ev'ry land, by ev'ry tongue / Forevermore! Amen.**

▼ DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT *(Sit)*

▲ POST COMMUNION HYMN *(Sung, Tune: Angels We Have Heard on High)*

**Thank the Lord and sing his praise, tell the world what he has done.  
He recalls his promises, keeps them all in his dear Son.  
Gloria! Sing songs of thanksgiving. Gloria! Joyful hearts uplifting.**

▲ DISMISSAL PRAYER *(Spoken)*

Send us forth into your Father's world, O Lord of Glory, and let the love and unity of your table find a place in our hearts and homes. **Make us ever your humble stewards of heavenly grace. Amen**

▲ DISMISSAL *(Spoken)*

Go forth and tell the good news! **C: Christ has come. Christ has risen. Christ shall come again!**  
May the blessing of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit abide with you until that day. **C: Amen**

▲ SENDING HYMN - Go, My Children, with My Blessing *(Sung)*

MUSICAL POSTLUDE - TBD

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