Sunday, December 20, 2020

Order of Worship

Prelude "O Little Town of Bethlehem" by: Bennett

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Charlie Tramel

\*Opening Hymn "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" vs. 1, 2, 7

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

2. O come, thou Wisdom from on high, and order all things far and nigh; to us the path of knowledge show and cause us in her ways to go.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

7. O come, Desire of nations bind all peoples in one heart and mind. From dust thou brought us forth to life; deliver us from earthly strife.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

\*Call to Worship:

Leader: Now is the time of watching and waiting.

People: The time of pregnant expectation of new life.

Leader: Now is the season of hope unfolding.

People: The dark winter season when hope is waiting to be born.

Leader: Let us come before God with receptive and willing spirits.

People: May our sounds magnify God's name and May our spirits rejoice in God our Savior!

All: Rejoice! God comes to bring the birthday of life and hope. Amen.

## \*Morning Prayer:

O come to us, Abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel! God with us You came to us long ago as a helpless babe, as one in need of human love and care. You taught us how to love and care for one another. Help us to hold on to childlike wonder, amazement, and love, and help us to love one another all year long. Guide our feet into the way of peace, as only the Prince of Peace can lead us, by laying down our lives for one another and serving one another. In the name of Christ, Emmanuel, God with us, we pray. Amen.

Special Music "All Is Well" Solo by: Millie Frambaugh

Children's Message "I Can Tell Others About Jesus" Millie Frambaugh Children to remain seated in pews during message and for the service.

**Prayer Concerns and Praises** 

Silent Prayer

Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

\*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning; is now and ever shall be: World without end! Amen, Amen!

Prayer of Illumination

All: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture Readings 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 Luke 1:26-38 Charlie Tramel

Sermon "Waiting on the Threshold" Pastor Jane Piehl

Offering Please place in offering plate at door

### Moment of Reflection

\*Closing Hymn "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" Vs. 1, 4

- 1. It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old, from angels bending near the earth, to touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth, good will to men, from heaven's all gracious King." The world in solemn stillness lay, to hear the angels sing.
- 4. For lo! The days are hastening on, by prophet seen of old, when with the ever circling years shall come the time foretold when peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendors fling, and the whole world send back the song which now the angels sing.

## Benediction

#### "God Be with You"

God be with you til we meet again; by his counsels guide uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude "Immanuel (From the Squalor of a Borrowed Stable)" by: Townsend

## Upcoming activities:

12/19 8a Men's Study Group via zoom

12/20 Deadline for Adopt a family gift return

12/20 6p Caroling

12/22 7p *Incarnation* Study

12/24 5p Christmas Eve Service online



# Given By:

Bill & Nancy Baldwin in Honor of the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ

Pat Bernhard in Memory of Phil Bernhard

Barb Moore in Memory of Dave Downs, George & Barb Miller

Bob & Elaine Mravetz in Memory of Joe & Jennie Mravetz, Pearl & Clarence Singleton.

Dave & Pastor Jane Piehl