

A D V E N T

SUNDAY NIGHT WORSHIP

Second Presbyterian Church · December 10, 2017 · 6:00 p.m.

✦ **Scriptural Call to Worship** Tim Johnson
Pastoral Resident

O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him born the King of angels;
O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
O sing, all ye bright hosts of heav'n above;
Glory to God all glory in the highest;
O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Yea, Lord we greet Thee, born this happy morning:
Jesus to Thee be all glory giv'n.
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;
O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

✦ **Invocation** (*please raise hands*)

Worship of God with the Gifts of God

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen/We Three Kings

God rest ye merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay,
Remember, Christ our Savior was born upon this day,
To save us all from Satan's power when we were gone astray
O, tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O, tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our heavenly Father this blessed angel came
And unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same
How that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by name
O, tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O, tidings of comfort and joy.

O, star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to Thy perfect light.

Born a king on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown Him again
King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign.

Glorious now, behold Him, arise – King and God and sacrifice!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah, worshipping God most high

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✠Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greetings and Announcements Barton Kimbro
Assistant Pastor, Young Adults

Scripture Reading I John 1:1-4
(page 1021 in pew Bible)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Christmas Essentials Todd Erickson
Pastoral Executive

Invitation to the Table

All who have publicly professed their faith and joined a Christian church are welcomed to receive communion tonight. We encourage children not to take communion until they have joined the church but do welcome them to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come forward, please raise your hand and an elder will serve you in your seat. Gluten-free communion bread is available upon request from the elder at the east side of the transverse aisle (opposite from the door leading to the Connector).

Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Divine Pardon

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Songs for the Table

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Come, Thou long-expected Jesus, born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth Thou art,
Dear Desire of ev'ry nation, joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Come to earth to taste our sadness, He whose glories knew no end;
By His life He brings us gladness, our Redeemer, Shepherd, friend.
Leaving riches without number, born within a cattle stall;
This the everlasting wonder, Christ was born the Lord of all.

Born Thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a king,
Born to reign in us forever, now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all-sufficient merit, raise us to Thy glorious throne.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel and ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here, until the Son of God appear.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to Thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by Thine advent here
And drive away the shades of night, and pierce the clouds and bring us light.

O come, Desire of nations, bind all people in one heart and mind
Bid envy, strife, and quarrels cease; fill all the world with heaven's peace.

One Small Child

One small child in a land of a thousand, one small dream of a Savior tonight,
One small hand reaching out to the starlight, one small city of life.

One king bringing Him gold and riches, one king ruling an army of might,
One king kneeling with incense and candlelight, one King bringing us life.

See Him lying, a cradle beneath Him, see Him smiling in the stall.
See His mother, praising His father, see His tiny eyelids fall.

One small child in a land of a thousand, one small dream in a people of might,
One small hand reaching out to the starlight, one small Savior of life.

See the shepherds kneeling before Him, see the kings on bended knee,
See His mother, praising His father, see the blessed infant sleep.

O Holy Night

O holy night, the stars are brightly shining;
It is the night of our dear Savior's birth!
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
'Til He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.

Fall on your knees, O hear the angel voices –
O night divine, O night when Christ was born.
O night divine, O night, O night divine!

Truly He taught us to love one another,
His law is love and His gospel is peace.
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother
And in His name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we
Let all within us praise His holy name!

Christ is the Lord; O praise His name forever!
His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim.
His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!

✦Prayer of Thanksgiving

✦Benediction (*please raise hands*)

✦Indicates standing

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Advent at Second

Festival of Carols | *December 17, 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary*

This service is an annual favorite for families because of the sing-along
Christmas carols and the festive atmosphere of worship.

Nine Lessons and Carols | *December 24, 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary*

A reception will be held for all ages in the Fellowship Hall during the CC Hour.

Our Nine Lessons and Carols service includes Scripture readings and carols based on the
original service held on Christmas Eve in 1918 at King's College in Cambridge, England.

Christmas Eve Worship

4:00 p.m. Family Service with Children's Message; 6:00 & 11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion

Nursery is available for ages 4 and under for all services excluding the 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service.