

***Prayer of Praise**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Scripture**

Mark 1:1-8

Sermon

Prepare

Rev. Dric Williford

***Closing Hymn**

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

218 (v. 1 & 4)

***Benediction**

***Benediction Song**

On Eagle's Wings

*And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand.*

***Postlude**

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Leslye Ames

*Stand as you are able.

Lay Reader: Macy Crain

Commit . . . Connect . . . Engage . . .

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PEACE

8:30 a.m. Worship
December 10, 2017
Second Sunday of Advent - PEACE

The altar is open for personal prayer time prior to the beginning of our service.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *The First Noel* Leslye Ames

***Invocation**

***Theme Song** *Emmanuel, Emmanuel*
Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel. God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel.

***Greeting Time**

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Lighting of the Advent Wreath Jake Crain Family
(please see the bulletin insert)

Hymn of Praise *Angels from the Realms of Glory* **220**

Affirmation of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed
*I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.* *means universal

Joys and Concerns

Moment of Silence

We light this candle to signify our prayers for those involved in armed conflict around the world. We ask for God's peace and wholeness to illuminate every darkness. We join together in a moment of silence and invite you to lift up your prayers on behalf of our community, nation, and world.

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.

Congregational Singing

O Little Town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie; above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by. Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light; the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray; cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

In the Bleak Midwinter

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan, earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone; snow had fallen snow on snow, snow on snow, in the bleak midwinter, long ago.

What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; if I were a Wise Man, I would do my part; yet what I can I give him: give my heart.

**Once in Royal David's City*

Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed, where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed; Mary, loving mother mild, Jesus Christ, her little child.

And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love; for that child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heaven above; and he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.

Children's Moment

(all children are invited to Children's Church afterwards, to join Hillary in a special Advent study)

Offertory *Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella* Charles McCartha