

December 3, 2017

Preparation for Worship – Please use this time for silent preparation of heart and mind for worship of the Almighty God.

Prelude – “Noel of the Little Bells” R. Marryott
Announcements
Advent Candle
Choral Introit

*Call to Worship – Isaiah 9:2, 6, 7

Minister: “The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.

Congregation: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Unison: Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.”

*Invocation

*Lord's Prayer

*Hymn - “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” #194

Word of Greeting – Please pass the Friendship Registers found on the right end of each row.

Responsive Reading – Romans 11:1-24 p.946 in Pew Bible
Confession of Sin (Unison)

Father in heaven, we come to You thanking You for this great salvation that You have given to us in Christ and confessing that too often we take this gift of eternal life so lightly. Please forgive us for how lightly we take our own spiritual growth, forgive us for our lack of energy in dealing with our own sin and forgive us for our indifference toward those who are perishing because they do not know you as Lord and Savior. Forgive us when we allow the world to shape the way we view the coming of Christ, rather than by being shaped by Your Word. Forgive us and work in our hearts so that more and more we will be people after your own heart, we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (Unison) Matthew 1:21
“She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus,
for he will save his people from their sins.”

*Hymn - “Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming” #221

*Confession of Faith – The Apostles' Creed p.845 in Trinity Hymnal

*Doxology #731

Offering

Offertory Music – “O Come, O Come” Arr. Kelsey

Robert Covert

(Children 4 until age 6 may be dismissed to Children's Church)

Scripture Reading – Isaiah 11:1-16 p.575 in Pew Bibles

Sermon The Reverend Mr. John F. Peoples, Jr.

“GOD’S ANSWER TO HIS PROMISE COMES”

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Hymn - “O Come, All Ye Faithful” #208, v.1 & 2

Words of Institution

The Bread (We will partake of the elements together,

The Cup after all have been served.)

*Hymn - “O Come, All Ye Faithful” #208, v. 3 & 4

*Benediction

Postlude - “In Dulci Jubilo” German Melody

The Rev. Mr. David G. McKay, Minister
The Rev. Mr. John F. Peoples, Jr., Associate Minister
Mrs. Julie Covert, Organist and Choir Director

Today, we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Our denomination's policy, in conformity with the Book of Church Order, is “to invite all those who profess the true religion, and are communicants in good standing in any evangelical church, or those approved by the Session, after having given indication of their desire to participate.”