

December 2, 2018

Preparation for Worship

Isaiah 11:1-2

“There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.”

Prelude – “Pastorale on a French Carol”

Gordon Young

Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Choral Introit

*Call to Worship- Psalm 98:1-3

Pastor: “Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

Congregation: The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

Unison: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. And the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.”

*Prayer of Adoration

*Lord's Prayer

*Hymn - “Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come”

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Responsive Reading – Romans 3:9-20

p.940 in Pew Bible

Confession of Sin (Unison)

Almighty and most merciful Father, who calls the sinner to forsake his way and to return to you that you may have mercy upon him, we humbly acknowledge before you our manifold sins and shortcomings. We have grievously sinned against you in thought, in word and in deed. We have broken your holy commandments and have departed from your ways. We have not fulfilled the law of Christ that we should bear one another's burdens. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves; we have not done unto others as we would that they should do unto us; we have sought too much our own gain and advantage, and have closed our hearts against one another, forgetting that we are members of one body. Turn us again toward yourself, and do not allow us to fall away from you, for with you there is mercy, and you do redeem your people from all their iniquities. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen.
(Abridged and adapted from the Book of Common Prayer and Prayers for Services, Morgan P Noyes, p.63)

Assurance of Pardon (Unison)

Psalm 68:19-20

“Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation.
Our God is a God of salvation, and to God, the Lord,
belong deliverances from death.”

*Hymn - “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

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*Confession of Faith – The Apostles' Creed

p.845 in Trinity Hymnal

*Doxology

#731

Offering

Offertory Music

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

Scripture Reading – Genesis 3:1-15

p.2 in Pew Bible

Sermon

The Reverend Mr. John F. Peoples, Jr.

“GOD'S COVENANT: THE PROMISE OF GOD'S RESCUE”

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”

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*Benediction

Postlude – “Gloria”

French Carol

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.”