

Welcome!

December 24, 2017

+8:30 A.M. +++11:00 A.M.

Liturgist: Dave Shilling
Greeters: Jan and Roger Baker

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lay Leader

PRELUDE

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Robert Hobby

Heather Cooper, organ

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Acolyte

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: All earth is hopeful, the Savior comes at last!

Many: Joy to the world!

One: Mountains and valley will have to be prepared

Many: Joy to the earth!

One: New highways opened, new protocols declared.

Many: Almost here! God is nearing, in beauty and grace! All clear every gateway, in haste, come out in haste!

*HYMN OF INTENTION

"All Earth is Hopeful"

See back of bulletin

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

HYMN OF LIGHT

"Come Now, O Prince of Peace"

Organ Introduction; Choir in Korean; Congregation



O - so - sŏ o - so - sŏ, pyong - hwa - ŭi - im - gŭm
4 Come, Hope of u - ni - ty, make us one bod - y.



u - ri - ga han - mom i - ru - ge ha - so - sŏ.
Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Kathy Schmucker, Spiritual Formation Director

OFFERING & OFFERTORY

Once in Royal David's City

Robert Buckley Farlee

Heather Cooper, organ

*DOXOLOGY

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts;
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 John 4:13-19

ANTHEM

O Come to Us, Emmanuel

Joseph M. Martin

Chancel Choir

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK IN OUR LIVES

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, AND 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 glory forever. Amen.***

HYMN OF CENTERING

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

UMH No. 211

Verses 5, 6, 7

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 19:1-10

SERMON

"Seek Out and Save"

Rev. Cara Stultz Costello

*HYMN OF MISSION

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

UMH No. 213

*BENEDICTION

*CHRIST'S LIGHT TO THE WORLD

Acolyte

*POSTLUDE

In Dulci Jubilo

Norman Dello Joio

Heather Cooper, organ

Christmas Eve Worship Services

5:00 pm Modern Worship in Family Life Center

7:00 pm *Love Letters from God* Family Worship Service

9:00 pm *The Journey*, Service of Lesson and Carols

11:00 pm *Come and See*, Service of Lesson and Carols, Communion

All Earth Is Hopeful

Toda la tierra



To - da la tie - rra es - pe - ra al Sal - va - dor
1 All earth is hope - ful, the Sav - ior comes at last!
2 Peo - ple of Is - rael, you heard the proph - et tell:
3 Moun - tains and val - leys will have to be pre - pared;
4 We first saw Je - sus a ba - by in a crib.



y el sur - co a - bier - to, la ob - ra del Se - ñor; es el
Fur - rows lie o - pen for God's cre - a - tive task: this, the
"A vir - gin moth - er will bear Em - man - u - el"; she con -
new high - ways o - pened, new pro - to - cols de - clared. Al - most
This same Lord Je - sus to - day has come to live in our



mun - do que lu - cha por la li - ber - tad, re -
la - bor of peo - ple who strug - gle to see how
ceived him, "God with us," our broth - er, whose birth re -
here! God is near - ing, in beau - ty and grace! All
world; he is pres - ent, in neigh - bors we see our



cla - ma jus - ti - cia y bus - ca la ver - dad. dar - nos li - ber - tad.
God's truth and jus - tice set ev - 'ry - bod - y free.
stores hope and cour - age to chil - dren of this earth.
clear ev - 'ry gate - way, in haste, come out in haste!
Je - sus is with us, and ev - er sets us free.

Worship Services: Sundays at 8:30AM, 9:45AM & 11:00AM

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

Prevenient Grace

*Today's altar flowers are given by the Shearer Family
in honor of Ken Shearer's 90th Birthday*

