



**December 9, 2018**

Second Sunday of Advent

*Not What You'd Expect*

*Today's altar flowers are given by Carol and Greg Eisenbrei  
in memory of Sean Donaldson.*

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

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**WELCOME!**

**December 9, 2018**

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

Liturgist: +Mike Howard +++Lori Turoso

Greeters: +Emma Jo Shearer and Monica Lytle +++Sue Kelley and Beverly Temple

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**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

*People Look East*  
Heather Cooper, organ

Wayne Wold

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

Acolyte

**VIDEO LESSON**

*Bethlehem*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**& LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH**

+Georgeann and John Clark  
+++ Paul and Jennie Ford

Reader: "In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David" (Luke 2:1,3-4).

Today we remember Joseph, worn-out traveler and worried husband, doing what was necessary for the sake of his family, the burden of poverty stifling his hope in the promise of God. There was no room for him, yet he knows to whom he belongs.

**People:** Today we give thanks for the Josephs among us, migrating far from home when there is no choice, fiercely devoted to the ones they love, unwavering in their belief that there is room for all in the kingdom of God.

Reader: On this second Sunday of Advent, we light this candle as a symbol of Joseph, who knocks at the door, ready to take his place among royalty.

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*\* Please stand in spirit and body*

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**HYMN OF LIGHT** *The King is Coming* Christy Nockles

**The King is coming,  
Open up your eyes to see it, open up your ears to hear it.  
The King is coming,  
Open up your mind believe it, open up your heart receive it.**

**+++CHILDREN’S SERMON** Kathy Schmucker

**OFFERING & OFFERTORY** *He Comes to Us as One Unknown* Robert J. Powel  
Heather Cooper, Organ

**\*DOXOLOGY**

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

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Micah 5:2-5a

**ANTHEM** *Mary Did You Know* Mark Lowry  
Celtic Ensemble, Dayna Duncan, alto, Doug Olson, tenor

**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** *What Child Is This* UMH 219

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** John 7:40-44

**SERMON** *Not What You’d Expect*  
Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

**\*HYMN OF MISSION** *Hark The Herald Angels Sing/King of Heaven Traditional/Baloche*

**Hark the herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King  
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled  
Joyful all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies  
With angelic hosts proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem  
Hark the herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King  
Hail the heaven born prince of peace, Hail the Son of righteousness  
Light and life to all he brings, risen with healing in his wings  
Mild he lays His glory by, born that men no more may die  
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth  
Hark the herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King  
King of heaven come down, King of heaven come now  
Let Your glory reign, shining like the day, King of heaven come  
King of heaven rise up, who can stand against us  
You are strong to save, in Your mighty name, King of heaven come  
King of heaven come, King of heaven come  
King of heaven come, King of heaven come**

**POSTLUDE** *Comfort, Comfort Now My People* Gerald Near  
Heather Cooper, organ

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