



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Sunday, December 5, 2021- Advent 2

Welcome Visitors, we are glad you are here! Please take time to fill out the welcome card in the pew to place in the offering basket and look for the welcome sign after church during coffee time so we can meet you!

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Prelude: "Prepare the Royal Highway" arr. Held
"Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light" arr. Callahan

***Welcome and Greeting** Rev. David A. Zuidema

***Sing: "On Jordan's Banks"** LUYH 70 v. 1, 2,4, 5

***Call to Worship**

***Sing: "O Come, All You Unfaithful"** Sovereign Grace

GOD RECONCILES WITH US

Candle Lighting: Rick and Rosemary Geertsma

Last Sunday we lit the candle of hope and were reminded to put our hope in God's promises of a peaceful kingdom. On this second Sunday of Advent, we light the candle of love. Our God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16). We light this candle to remember God's love.

Let us pray. Emmanuel, God with us, in this Advent season we confess how hard it is for us to love as you love us. We have not loved you with our whole hearts. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us for words spoken that should have remained unspoken, and for words we kept to ourselves that could have brought cheer to someone's heart. Forgive us for doing deeds that harmed and for leaving undone deeds that could have helped someone. Forgive us through Jesus our Lord, we pray. By your Holy Spirit, produce in our lives the fruit of love. Amen.

Sing: "My Soul In Stillness Waits"

LUYH 63 v2

Words of Assurance: Hear these words of good news: "This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins....We love because he first loved us." (1 John 4: 9-10, 19).

***Song of Assurance: "Your Mercy Flows"**

LUYH 700

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Children Sent to Walk Out Worship (5 year olds through 2nd Grade)

Special Music: "People Look East"

Bell Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Micah 7:8-10, 18-20

Do not rejoice over me, O my enemy;
when I fall, I shall rise;

when I sit in darkness,
the Lord will be a light to me.

I must bear the indignation of the Lord,
because I have sinned against him,

until he takes my side
and executes judgment for me.

He will bring me out to the light;
I shall see his vindication.

Then my enemy will see,
and shame will cover her who said to me,
"Where is the Lord your God?"

My eyes will see her downfall
now she will be trodden down
like the mire of the streets.

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity
and passing over the transgression

of the remnant of your possession?

He does not retain his anger forever,
because he delights in showing
clemency. He will again have compassion
upon us;

he will tread our iniquities under foot.

You will cast all our sins
into the depths of the sea.

You will show faithfulness to Jacob
and unswerving loyalty to Abraham,
as you have sworn to our ancestors
from the days of old.

Message: "The Darkness of Sin, The Light of God's Love"

Rev. Brendan McClenahan

Prayers of the People

Communion

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
our Lord, who was conceived by the
Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell. The third day he
rose again from the dead.

He ascended to heaven and is seated at
the right hand of God the Father al-
mighty. From there he will come to judge
the living 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.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord!

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Pastor: With joy we praise you, gracious God, for you have created heaven
and earth, made us in your image, and kept covenant with us—
even when we fell into sin.

We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who was exalted as King
of the universe, that at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow.
Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels
and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

LUYH #538:1

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to you;

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

The Institution

We give thanks to God the Father that our Savior, Jesus Christ,
before he suffered, gave us this memorial of his sacrifice, until he comes again.
At his last supper, the Lord Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks,
he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance
of me." In the same way, he took the cup after supper and said, "This cup is
the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me." For whenever
we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Therefore we proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and cup may be for us the body
and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we and all your saints be united
with Christ and remain faithful in hope and love. Gather your whole church,
O Lord, into the glory of your kingdom. We pray in the name of Jesus,
who taught us to pray:

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Congregation in Christ, since the Lord has fed us at his table,
let us praise his holy name with thanksgiving.

Response from Psalm 103:

**Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits— who forgives
all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the
pit and crowns you with love and compassion.**

***Song of Response: "As Moses Raised the Serpent Up"**

LUYH 674

GOD SENDS US TO SERVE IN HIS LIGHT AND LOVE

***Blessing**

***Sing: "Arise, Shine for Your Light Is Come"**

LUYH 103 vs. 2

Postlude: "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"

arr. Held

Participants:

Rev. Brendan McClenahan, preaching

Jean Schuitman, organ

Jan Zuidema, piano

Rev. Brendan McClenahan, liturgy and music

Jean Schuitman, sanctuary bell director

Rev. David Zuidema, liturgy and communion

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Schedules

SUNDAY - December 5

Projection: Dan Braak

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Jason Zuidema, Dirk Weesies, Jacob Weesies

Ushers: Team 8 (Hordyk): Roger Hordyk, Dee-Ann Hordyk, Dan Holtrop, John Buitenhuis

Coffee Hosts: Dennis and Mary Jo Schaaf, Eric and Dawn Rotman

Nursery: Kerry Bierma, Sam/Chris Farrar

Little Lambs: Emily Bierma, Auerlia Koch

Walk Out Worship: Darcie Clapp, Gabe Schaaf

Greeters: Garrison Koch, John and Agnes Fisher

Offering: Calvin University

Calendar

SUNDAY - December 5

10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship Service

11:15 a.m. - Bell Practice

11:15 a.m. - Art Reception with Joel Tanis

11:15 a.m. - Dance Practice in the Sanctuary

6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.- Focus Youth Group

MONDAY - December 6

1:30 p.m. - Ping Pong

TUESDAY - December 7

9 a.m.- 1 p.m.- Office Hours

7:00 p.m.- Sanctuary Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY - December 8

9: a.m. - 11:00 a.m.- Office Hours

10:00 - 12:00 noon - Parish Nurse

1:00 p.m.- Knitter's Club

7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.- Chaos

THURSDAY - December 9

9 a.m.- 1 p.m.- Office Hours

6:00 p.m.- EmpowerU

FRIDAY - December 10

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.- Office Hours

SATURDAY - December 11

SUNDAY - December 12

10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship Service

11:15 a.m. - Bell Practice

11:15 a.m. - Dance Practice in the Sanctuary

6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.- Focus Youth Group

SUNDAY - December 12

Projection: Dan Braak

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Jason Zuidema, Dirk Weesies, Ethan Hodge

Ushers: Rotman (Team 9) Eric Rotman, Ron Frantz, Dave VanderWall, Jason Zuidema

Coffee Hosts: Carole Ruiten, Ione Hoekenga, Dan and Melissa Meindersma

Nursery: Jane DeGroot, Jenny Steigenga

Little Lambs: Ann Koch, Zuidema Girl

Walk Out Worship: Cindy Brace, Dawn Rotman

Greeters: Rick Geertsma, Carl and Mary Erickson

Offering: Salvation Army

***Sermon question to talk about at the round table in the North Hall during coffee time or at your dining room table with your family:**

“What did you take away from today’s that gave you comfort or challenged you?”



Advent Two: December 5

the darkness of sin | the light of god's love