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December 6, 2020 2nd Sunday of Advent

Prelude/Welcome Good morning! God has promised us a new creation, where righteousness will be at home. "Let us worship God!

Choral Opening: Light of Hope

Call to Worship

L: On this Advent journey, we are mindful of the brokenness of the world that surrounds us.

P: We long for peace that surpasses all understanding.

L: As we look around us, we see the hostility that exists between neighbor and nation.

P: We long for peace that surpasses all understanding

L: As we look beside us, we see fractured relationships and unforgiving hearts.

P: We long for peace that surpasses all understanding

L: As we look within ourselves, we confess the reconciling words we have yet to speak and restoring deeds we have yet to do. **P: We long for peace that surpasses all understanding**

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Opening Prayer: **Gracious God we pray that you will help us to see the glimpses of your peace in our fractured world. You alone are the Prince of Peace. Help us to remember this Advent that we can also be agents of peace to those around us and in our world. Help us to seek your perfect peace that surpasses all understanding. We pray this in the name of Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

Opening Hymn # GTG 106 Prepare the Way Oh Zion v.1,3
Young Disciples

Call to confession *God is here. Trusting in God's grace, Let us confess our sufferings, our losses, our pain, our sins. Join me, as we pray together, saying,*

Prayer of Confession

God of the future, you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule. We confess that we have not expected your

kingdom, for we live accepting lies as truth, exploiting our neighbors, abusing your earth, and refuse your justice and peace. Grant us your wisdom as we seek your forgiveness. May your incarnate Word invade our lives, bind us with hope, and send us out into the world. Amen.

Words of Assurance: *Friends, believe the good news of the gospel, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen!*

Gloria Patri #579 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end, amen. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith **Advent Creed** — written by Lisa Frenz,
We believe in one God, who is Creator, maker of all we see and all we don't see. Who is Ruler of the universe: Source of all creation!
We believe in one God, who is Jesus Christ, God from God, Light from Light, true God and true human. He is one with the Creator; the Word made flesh, our Messiah: Savior of all creation!
We believe in one God, who is Holy Spirit, Breath of God moving among us; Who is one with the Creator; one with the Christ; our Comforter and our Guide: Mentor of all creation!

Hymn #133 O Come all Ye faithful v. 1,3,4

Readings: Isaiah 40:1-11; Mark 1:1-8

Sermon Prepare the Way

Anthem Canticle of the Turning

Announcements/Offering

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

Prayers of the People & 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 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

Closing Hymn # GTG 93 Lift Up Your Heads

Benediction/Choral Closing/Postlude

Hymns

Prepare the Way O Zion

Prepare the way, O Zion, your Christ is drawing near! Let every hill and valley a level way appear. Greet One who comes in glory, foretold in sacred story. O blest is Christ who came in God's most holy name.

Fling wide your gates, O Zion; your Savior's rule embrace, and tidings of salvation proclaim in every place. All lands will bow rejoicing, their adoration voicing. O blest is Christ who came in God's most holy name.

O Come All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant; O come ye; O come ye to Bethlehem! Come, and behold him, born the King of angels! O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him, Chris, the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation; sing, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory to God, all glory in the highest! O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him, Chris, the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning; Jesus, to thee be all glory given; Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing! O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him, Chris, the Lord!

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates; behold the King of glory waits; the King of kings is drawing near; the Savior of the world is here.

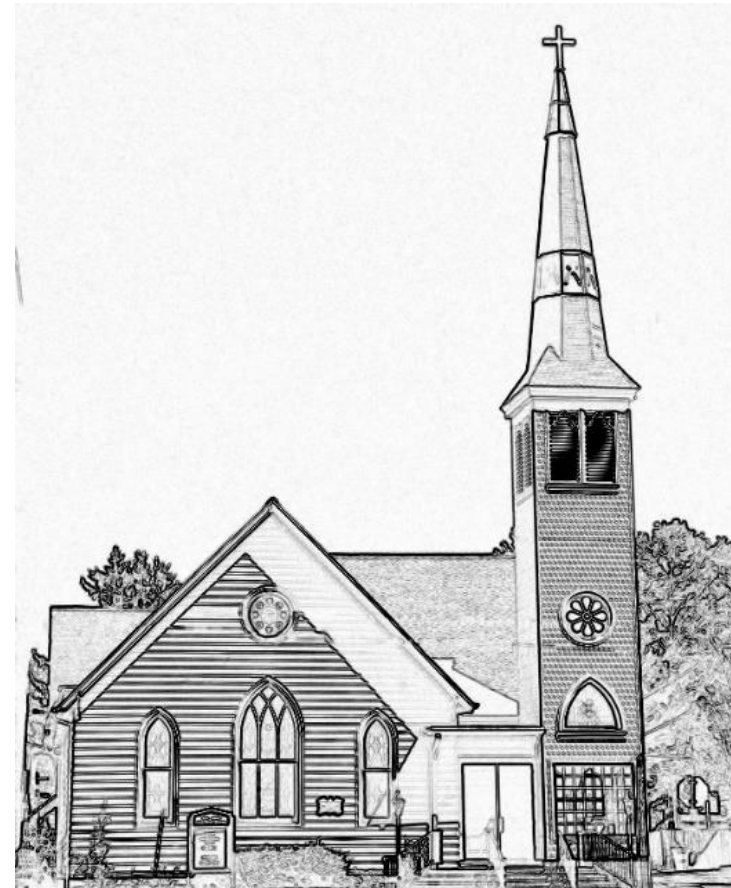
Fling wide the portals of your heart; make it a temple, set apart from earthly use for heaven's employ, adorned with prayer and love and joy.

Redeemer, come! I open wide my heart to thee; here, Lord, abide. Let me thy inner presence feel; thy grace and love in me reveal.

Our Mission Statement

“Do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, and don't take yourself too seriously—take God seriously.” Micah 6:8
Compassionate, Fair and Loyal

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Announcements

Please stay for the congregational meeting following worship beginning at 12 noon. Those attending from home are asked to join via Zoom. The link is here. Those who attend via zoom will not be voting, they will be observing, only those in-person present will vote.

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUucu2sqzwtHd2v4WNiL3mp0dCFqORlvhZS>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Christmas Program recording will be Sunday 12/13 following a break for pizza prior to recording. Recording should take less an hour (we hope). Youth will have a chance to preview the recording when we are done.

Christmas Angels are still on the tree, please pick one up and return by December 20. We are still collecting canned food. Joy Gift time is now, please remember those who have little and yet have given their life serving others.

Christmas caroling will be at the Gazebo 12/20 at 4:45 with candles. Please come and sing with us. We'll close at the evening singing the 12 days of Christmas

Christmas Eve Communion Candlelight service will be at 7pm in a lessons and carols format.