



*congregation standing

TOLLING OF THE HOUR Austin Syvanthong

WELCOME Drew Herring

PRELUDE *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* Mark Gourley
(PICARDY) French Folk Melody; David N. Johnson, arr.

CALL TO WORSHIP *Draw Near to Hope*
Sarah Are

LIGHTING OF THE FIRST CANDLE: HOPE The McAdams Family

*HYMN 87 *Arise, Your Light Is Come* The Church

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Skyler Daniel

Advent is believing in God's good.
Advent is embracing hope in fear.
 Advent is making peace in chaos.
Advent is finding joy within sorrow.
 Advent is love made visible.
Light in darkness,
 Life abundant,
Advent is waiting patiently...
 With hope and with peace,
With joy and with love.

*ADVENT RESPONSE 79 (verse one) The Church
**O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel,
 That mourns in lonely exile here, until the Son of God appear.
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

CHILDREN'S LESSON Jennifer Clatterbuck

After the children's lesson, preschool children through kindergarten are encouraged to follow the leader to our Extended Session in the preschool area. Grades one and above remain in worship.

MUSIC MEDITATION *Creation will Be at Peace* Lynne Booker, piano
Anna Laura Page

CENTERING PRAYERS Skyler Daniel

SERMON *The Mighty God is Planning Grace* Drew Herring
Isaiah 9: 2; 6-7

*HYMN 81 *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* The Church

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Jon Stephens

OFFERTORY *Unexpected and Mysterious* Mark Gourley
David Lasky setting

*ADVENT DOXOLOGY 119 (tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen) The Church
**His name is called Emmanuel, more wonderful than words can tell. God is with us! Alleluia!
 Born in our darkness, He is Light; Born in our weakness, He is Might.
 God is with us! Alleluia! God is with us! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*BENEDICTION Jennifer Clatterbuck

POSTLUDE *Lo! He Comes With Clouds Descending* Mark Gourley
(HELMSLEY) Wilbur Held, arr.

Thank you to Austin Syvanthong for serving as our worship helper today.

**We are collecting pledges for our 2022
 Ministry Action Budget.**
Budget: \$501,324
Pledged so far: \$107,640 (21.5%)
Number of pledges: 30
 We will continue to collect pledges
 through December 31, 2021.

Today is the last day to
 order poinsettias. They are \$11 each.
 Our tree goes up Dec. 3rd!
 You may pick up your poinsettias after
 morning worship on Dec. 19th.
 Special Called Business Meeting
 (On Zoom) Dec. 15th @ 7:00 P.M.
 to approve 2022 Committee Nominees.

