Worship Service ~ December 18, 2022 10:30 Fourth Sunday in Advent/Lessons and Carols

VISION: Be the body of Christ:

welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith. MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

Today's Worship Broadcast sponsored by Mary & Tony Buck in memory of Gordon Buck.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF THE PEACE L: The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LITANY FOR ADVENT

L: Come! Let us celebrate, for the Lord has heard our cries! C: Our Savior is coming; the King of God is at hand. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

OPENING SONG Prepare the Way

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

L: Christ came to bring us salvation and has promised to come again.

C: May we always be ready to welcome him.

L: Come, Lord Jesus, that the keeping of Advent may open our hearts to God's love.

C: Behold! Christ is the Prince of Peace.

L: Come, Lord Jesus, that the light of Christ may penetrate the shadows of sin.

C: Behold! Christ came as the Light of the World.

L: Come, Lord Jesus, that this wreath may remind us to prepare for the coming of Christ. These candles have been lit as a symbol of Christ, our Savior, whom God has given to us in love.

C: Behold! Christ is Emmanuel, God with us.

Lord God, pour forth your blessings upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May their light reflect the splendor of Christ who is Lord, forever and ever. Amen. PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray,

C: Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that binds us, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER LAB MINUTE

LESSON ONE Micah 5:2-5

SONG O Little Town of Bethlehem

LESSON TWO Galatians 4:4-5

SONG O Come, O Come Emmanuel

LESSON THREE Luke 1:47-55

MESSAGE Pastor John Klawiter

LESSON FOUR Matthew 1:18-21

SONG What Child is This?

LESSON FIVE *"Sing the Alleluias!"* Poem from the book *KNEELING IN* BETHLEHEM



MUSICAL OFFERING Song of Hope

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L: May the LORD bless us and keep us; May the LORD's face shine upon us and be gracious unto us, May the LORD look upon us with favor, + and give us peace. **Amen.**

LESSON SIX John 1:1-5, 14

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

After you receive Communion, you may either exit the Sanctuary or you are welcome to return to your seat and join in singing.

SONG Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

DISMISSAL L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**





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