

First Sunday of Advent



December 3, 2023

AWAKEN TO THE GOOD NEWS!
THE CHRIST WHO CAME IS THE CHRIST WHO IS COMING

PRELUDE "Isaiah Watched the Mighty Seraphim" by Martin Luther

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL ADVENT CAROL "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence," vv. 1 & 3 arr. W. Glen Darst

GATHERING PRAYER

✠ GATHERING CAROL "Come, All Ye Faithful" #145

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE OF HOPE from Psalm 130

Call: And so we light the candle of hope.

Congregation: *Eternal hope is in the Lord, so we cry out, "Come, Lord Jesus."*

Prayer: Let us pray. God of hope, uphold us according to your promise, that we may live and hope in you alone. **Amen.**

CAROL OF HOPE "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" #123

MOMENT FOR MISSION Christmas Joy Offering

WELCOME FRIENDS AT HOME

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

KIDS' CLUB LESSON Advent of Hope

Advent of Hope

Children (PreK-5th grade) are invited to Kids' Club for age-appropriate lessons.

CHORAL ANTHEM "Carol of the Bells" by M. Leontovich & Peter J. Wilhousky

MOMENT OF SILENCE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 40:1-11 pg. 667 OT

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 9:28-32 g. 69-70 NT

MESSAGE Awaken to Hope

✠ CAROL OF RESPONSE "Do You Hear What I Hear?"
By Noel Regney & Gloria Shayne Baker

Welcome to our Church

Thank you for worshiping with us.

If you are a visitor, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card, which you will find in the pew rack. You can place the card in the offering plate.

Let us know if we can assist you.

Sunday Servants

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| <u>Ushering:</u> | The Carpenters | <u>AV System:</u> | Tim & Dave Parsons |
| <u>Music Director:</u> | Scott Miller | <u>Flowers:</u> | Advent Flowers |
| <u>Preacher:</u> | Nancy Didway | <u>Advent Calendar Lighters:</u> | Phyllis Byrn & Gale Conway |

All for the glory of God

*We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ,
feed the hungry, welcome the stranger,
and love our neighbors as ourselves.*

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Prayer and Praise

Long-time members, Allen and Jane Schenk, are dealing with age related health challenges. They are both in their 90s.

Let us continue to pray for peace and safety for the people of Ukraine, Israel and Palestine and for our good and gracious Lord to change the hearts and minds of Hamas, Hezbollah and other terrorist groups.

Please continue to pray for safety for **Aleeza Bravershteyn**, who is spending her birthright year in Jerusalem.

We continue to pray for Phyllis Byrn's friend, **Cindy Price**, as she continues treatment for breast cancer.

We pray for our recent guest **Jessica's Aunt Kim**, who has cancer.

Continued prayers are appreciated for **Sarah Kulas**. The good news is that chemo has been resumed. A new wrinkle is that a new area of concern has been discovered while she was off chemo.

We continue to pray for Larry King's sister, **Rhonda Haftman**, who is in treatment for cancer.

Barb Davidson asks for continued prayer for reconciliation with her son, Thomas D. Stone, of Boston.

Please keep **Dave Gross** in your prayers as he continues to battle long term health issues.

If you would like to list a prayer request,
please contact the church office
at 607-844-8321 or drydenpresoffice@gmail.com

Christmas Poinsettias

There is still chance to buy a Poinsettias. They cost \$7.99 each. If you would like to purchase one or more, simply sign up on the church bulletin board and pay by cash or check to Alan Macomber.

Bulletin

This week's happenings

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| Sun. Dec. 3 | 9:15 a.m. | Choir rehearsal |
| | 9:30 a.m. | Why the Nativity* |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Worship/Advent 1/Joy Offering |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Choir rehearsal |
| | | Joint committee meeting |
| Mon. Dec. 4 | 9-11 a.m. | Pastor's café (Corner Brew) |
| Wed. Dec. 6 | | Bulletin submissions due |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Kitchen Cupboard |
| Thu. Dec. 7 | 7:00 p.m. | Cantata Rehearsal |
| Fri. Dec. 8 | 11:00 a.m. | Kitchen |
| | | Angel Tree Deadline |
| Sat. Dec. 9 | 5:00 p.m. | Carpool: Meet at the Church** |
| | | Bethlehem Drive Thru, Trumansburg |
| Sun. Dec. 10 | 9:15 a.m. | Choir rehearsal |
| | 9:30 a.m. | Why the Nativity* |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Worship/Advent 1 |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Choir rehearsal |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Worship/Advent 2/Joy Offering |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Choir rehearsal |
| | | Coffee Hour |

*Movie: Why the Nativity?

Join us for the movie and good conversation at 9:30 a.m. Sundays in the library on December 3, 10 and 17.

**Carpool - Trumansburg Bethlehem Village, Saturday, December 9

All who would like to carpool to this live Nativity, please sign up on the Church bulletin board. We will meet at the church at 5:00 p.m.

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Verse 1:

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!

Refrain:

O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord!

Verse 2:

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
O sing, all ye bright hosts of heav'n above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!

Refrain

Verse 3:

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!

Refrain

Text: Latin Hymn; ascribed to John Francis Wade, translated by Frederick Oakeley
Music: *Adeste Fideles*, by John Francis Wade

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Verse 1:

O come, O come Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

Verse 2:

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

Refrain

Verse 3:

O come, Thou Wisdom from on high,
And order all things, far and nigh;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And cause us in her ways to go.

Refrain

Verse 4:

O come, desire of nations, bind
All peoples in one heart and mind;
Bid envy, strife and quarrels cease,
Fill all the world with heaven's peace.

Refrain

Text: Latin Hymn, *Psalterium Canticum Catholicarum*, 1710;

Translated by John M. Neale, stanzas 1, 2, altered;

Henry S. Coffin, stanzas 3, 4, altered

Music: *Veni Emmanuel*, Adapted from Plainsong by Thomas Helmore; arranged by Tom Fettke

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Do You Hear What I Hear?

Verse 1:

Said the night wind to the little lamb,
"Do you see what I see?
Way up in the sky, little lamb,
Do you see what I see?
A star, a star, dancing in the night
With a tail as big as a kite,
With a tail as big as a kite."

Verse 2:

Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy,
"Do you hear what I hear?
Ringing through the sky, shepherd boy,
Do you hear what I hear?
A song, a song, high above the trees
With a voice as big as the sea,
With a voice as big as the sea."

Verse 3:

Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king,
"Do you know what I know?
In your palace warm, mighty king,
Do you know what I know?
A Child, a Child shivers in the cold –
Let us bring Him silver and gold,
Let us bring Him silver and gold."

Verse 4:

Said the king to the people everywhere,
"Listen to what I say!
Pray for peace, people, everywhere!
Listen to what I say!
The Child, the Child sleeping in the night,
He will bring us goodness and light,
He will bring us goodness and light."

For Unto Us a Child Is Born

For unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given,
Unto us a Son is given:
And His name shall be call-ed
Wonderful, Counselor,
The Mighty God,
The Everlasting Father,
The Prince of Peace,
The Everlasting Father,
The Prince of Peace.

Text and Music: *For Unto Us*, George Frederick Handel;
based on Isaiah 9:6, 7; arranged by Tom Fettke
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O Holy Night!

Verse 1:

O holy night! The stars are brightly shining,
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth;
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn;
Fall on your knees,
Oh, hear the angel voices!
O night divine, O night when Christ was born!
O night, O holy night, O night divine!

Verse 2:

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming,
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand;
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming,
Here came the wise men from Orient land.
The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger,
In all our trials born to be our Friend;
He knows our need,
To our weakness is no stranger.
Behold your King, before Him lowly bend!
Behold your King, before Him lowly bend!

Verse 3:

Truly He taught us to love one another;
His law is love and His gospel is peace;
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother,
And in His name all oppression shall cease,
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
Let all within us praise His holy name;
Christ is the Lord,
Oh, praise His name forever!
His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!
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Text: John S. Dwight

Music: Cantique de Noël, Adolphe Adam