

**Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 22, 2024**

*In the name of Christ welcome to worship,
we are glad you are here!*

The Gathering

Gathering Music

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Pritchard, Wesley, Andrews, Sooter

Joyful (The One Who Saves)

Brown, Ingram

Welcome

***Confession And Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,
alive in the world,
reviving creation,
arriving soon.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy,

we confess that we have sinned.

We trust earthly powers and human authority alone.

We grow fearful. We cling to false comforts.

God of might,

we confess that we have sinned.

We have turned away from our neighbors.

We have trusted false promises.

God in our midst,

we confess that we have sinned.

We plead: come to us.

Bring your mercy to birth in us.

A righteous branch springs forth:

it is Christ the Lord, our Savior,

in whom we have forgiveness, life, and mercy.

By the power of the Holy Spirit,
receive the grace and forgiveness of God
through ✚ Christ Jesus,
whose day draws near.
Amen.

***Gathering Song**

Jesus Messiah

Tomlin

***Greeting and Prayer of the Day**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of
God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with
you all.

And also with you.

Let us pray

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.

The Lighting Of The Advent Wreath

Projected

(verses 1 -4)

The Sharing of the Word

First Reading

Micah 5:2-5a

Psalm

Luke 1:46b-55

Second Reading

Hebrews 10:5-10

***Gospel**

Luke 1:39-45

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 1st chapter

Glory to you, O Lord

May this Gospel of the Lord, help you know Jesus and
make Jesus known.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Time – Children's Play

Message

Pastor Kevin

***Nicene Creed**

Projected

***Prayer of the Church**

Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

***Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

The Sharing of the Meal

Offering- at this time, please take a moment, if
you feel called and are able, to make a financial
contribution to the ministry of Zion.



Offering Music

Instrumental

***Offering Prayer**

***Holy Communion**

The Great Thanksgiving Dialogue

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

***Lord's Prayer**

Invitation to Communion

Partaking of the Elements

Communion

Offering

Baloche

Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus

Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

The Sending

God Moments and Zest for Zion

Hannah Cunningham presentation

*Blessing

Amen

***Sending Song** *Soon and Very Soon* Crouch

*Dismissal

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Sending Out in Song *Reprise*

*Congregation may stand

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by:

- Gina Campbell – Happy Birthday to my granddaughter, Emma, on her 5th birthday December 22.
- Laura Turko in loving memory of her son, Tommy Bakie, and her father, Allen Baldwin.

Thank you for being the hands and feet of the church especially to those serving this weekend ...

- **Greeters** are Wade and Karen Markel
- **Usher** is Kathy Glass
- **Acolytes** are Alex and Madyson Doerr
- **Lay Reader** is Michelle Sine
- **Assisting Minister** is Kevin Drawbaugh
- **Communion Assistant** is Anita Langeheine

Windswept musicians and singers.

Offering Counters for this weekend are Lori Heathcote, Kathy Glass and Linda Doyle.

Welcome To Worship, we are glad you are here and happy to welcome you in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! We would like to know you worshipped with us today – please fill out the Connect Card in the pews and place it in the offering plate. Children activity bags are available from the tree stands in the narthex.

If you would like to explore a deepening faith relationship with Jesus Christ within the fellowship of our assembly, please speak with Pastor Kevin.

Please check in with your favorite social media apps as you silence your cell phones and electronic devices in preparation for worship.

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Mission Statement

Reaching up, reaching out, reaching in with faith and love.