

The Church at Worship
Second Sunday of Advent
December 10, 2017

The Chiming of the Hour

The Welcome Rev. Josh Hughes

The Lighting of the Second Advent Candle
“Light One Candle” arr. Sorensen
(The Congregation joining the Choir using music on back of Worship Guide.)

The Invocation Rev. Hughes

*The Hymn of Praise 76 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” VENI EMMANUEL
(The Children come forward for the Children’s Sermon)

The Children’s Sermon Becca Lawing

*The Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 40:1-11 (page 1119)
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Ministry of Prayer Rev. Hughes

*The Offertory Hymn 101 “Gentle Mary Laid Her Child”
TEMPUS ADEST FLORIDUM

*The Offertory Prayer Steve Austin, Deacon

The Offertory Music “Of the Father’s Love Begotten” arr. Behnke
The Handbell Choir

*The Doxology OLD 100TH
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*The New Testament Lesson Mark 1:1-8 (page 1551)

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The Anthem “Come, Thou Jesu” arr. Purifoy
Carol Frye, Cello

The Sermon “Preparing the Way” Rev. Hughes

*Hymn of Invitation 95 “Go, Tell It on the Mountain” GO TELL IT

*The Benediction Rev. Hughes
May the road rise to meet you. May the wind always be at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face. May the rains fall soft upon your fields,
And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

*The Choral Amen “Blessing” Dengler

*The Postlude
Organist: Todd Wright
(*Congregation Standing)

To Our Guests:

Thank you for strengthening us with your presence this morning. It is our deep desire that you experience true worship with us. Please fill out a guest card located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate so that we may connect with you this week.

If you would like to become a member of this congregation, you are invited to share your decision during the singing of the Hymn of Invitation. If you have not made a confession of faith, we invite you to do so and receive baptism. If you would like to join by a statement of your faith, our church will honor your previous baptism and confirmation from any other Christian community. Everyone is invited to use this time to reflect upon their relationship with God and their commitment to Christian service.

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Church, our mission
is to *make*, *care for*,
equip, and *send*
disciples.

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