



November 28/29, 2020
First Sunday of Advent

Prelude

“Sleepers Wake! For Night is Flying”
Amy Smith, organ

J.S. Bach

Welcome

Rev. Adrian N. Doll

Call to Worship

based on Isaiah 40:3-4

A voice cries out:

“In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.”

**Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain.**

Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Let us worship God in jubilant expectation.

Hymn of Advent

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

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

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*)

*Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!*

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*)

O come, Desire of nations,
bind All peoples in one heart and mind.
Bid envy, strife, and quarrels cease;
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace. (*refrain*)

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Prophecy Candle

Response

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

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 11:1-5

Special Music

“Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming”
Kaymen Carter, soloist

arr. Richard Walters

New Testament Reading

Galatians 4:4-7

Sermon

“In the Fullness of Time”
Sermon Series: *Joy Is in the Air*

Rev. Adrian N. Doll

Musical Selection

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”
Amy Smith, piano

arr. Lloyd Larsen

The Prayers of God’s People and The Lord’s Prayer**Hymn of Advent**

“Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”

Come, Thou long expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free.
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's Strength and Consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal Spirit,
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit,
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

Benediction**Postlude**

“Awake! Awake and Greet the New Morn”
Amy Smith, organ

Mark Sedio

Sanctuary Flowers – Today’s flowers are provided by Bruce and Pat Benke in celebration of Thanksgiving blessings; by Debra Warren in loving memory of her husband, Dave on the 40th anniversary of their wedding ~ November 29, 1980; and in love and memory of Pamela (Christenson) Zajdel by her mother, Virginia Christenson, brother Glenn, Ande and Tim Christenson, and the Zajdel family.

Christmas Eve Service – Given the current circumstances this year’s Christmas Eve service will be online only. The online service will be available for viewing throughout Christmas Eve Day on Facebook and the GVPC website. Tune in anytime to enjoy this meaningful worship experience.

Livestream Fall Concert Series - The final concert in GVPC’s Livestream Fall Concert Series is Saturday, December 12 at 7:00 pm with “*A Christmas Night of Worship*” featuring Kaymen Carter, Alex Clements, Yvonne Cox, Casey Dakus, Carlos Guerrero, Athena Mertes, Amy Smith, The Tierney Brothers, and Denise Wunderlich.

Hoodie Coat Drive - The Missions Committee is gratefully accepting donations for the Hoodie-Coat Drive through TODAY. Please note “coat drive” on your check or pew envelope.

2021 Stewardship Campaign “Gratitude for Today, Hope for Tomorrow” – The Stewardship Committee would like to thank all who have prayerfully considered your stewardship in terms of financial support for the upcoming year and have returned the 2021 Pledge Card. You can still complete a pledge card and place it in the offering basket or in the Pledge Card Box in the Narthex.