GREETING*

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. And also with you.

8:30 am Worship Ministry (Traditional, Sanctuary)

Welcome Desk Greeter: Deacon Matt Moxhay

Greeters: Elder Rebecca Castellanos; Trustee Mike Ramage; Stephen Minister Marion Norcross

Ushers: Steve Shaffer, Brian Deam, Mike Hock, Kevin Harris, George Faulkner

Sound Technician: Harris Ransom

Pulpit Flower Arrangers: Carol Morgan, Barbara Wetherill and Debbie Heller

Delivery Arranger: Vicki Terry

Flower Deliverers: Vicki Terry and Helen Dominy

11:00 am Worship Ministry (Contemporary, Miller Commons)

Worship Leader: Martin Bass

Greeters: Elder Pete Honeyford; Deacon Vicki Terry

Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Evan Welch by his family, friends, and all who loved him.

Nursery Care is available in the Preschool area for those with young children (birth-age 4). The David Room (back of the Sanctuary) is available for parents with infants/toddlers. The worship service can be viewed via TV monitor.

Members and Guests: Please take a moment to sign the Friendship pads in the pews so we can accurately record worship attendance and welcome visitors.

Kids (K-3rd grade): Don't forget to pick up your worship bags and check for your worship mission.

Pick up a copy of **Connections**, which contains the Covenant of Prayer, from the narthex, Welcome Desk, Miller Commons, any Usher, or the church office.

There are also large-print bulletins available.

Prayer Opportunity: An Elder will be available in the Prayer Room after this service for private prayer.

Special Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 15, 2019 after the 8:30 a.m. Service for the purpose of electing Officers to fill two vacancies.

Next Sunday, December 15: Sermon title: "Simeon's Song"; Scripture: Luke 2:26-33.

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Please Join Us for Worship

8:30 am Traditional (*Sanctuary*) 11:00 am Contemporary (*Miller Commons*)

GATHERING THOUGHT

THE FPCM WAY OF THE WEEK

23. WORSHIP WITH YOUR WHOLE HEART. Your life is meant to be an act of worship. Every breath, action, and thought flows from God and can bring Him glory. Praise God everywhere and embrace the opportunities to regularly worship with your church family.

"Seek the Kingdom of God above all else and live righteously, and He will give you everything you need." (Matthew 6:33)

"And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all He has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind He will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship Him." (Romans 12:1)

"Let everything that breathes sing praises to the Lord!" (Psalm 150:6)

Sunday, December 8, 2019 Second Sunday of Advent

ORDER OF WORSHIP

8:30 am Sanctuary

WELCOME AND WORK OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Kelly LePenske

Acolyte: Evan Schad

Beadle: Elder Paul Booker

MUSIC IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Joel Krott

From "First Magnificat": Grand Plein Jeu

Clarembault

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE

Schad Family

Introit

We Can Sing Our Praise to God Grantham
God is Very Near Watlington
Primary Choir/Noah Migrala, Clarinet Carol Benner, Piano

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Elder Booker

The earth is the Lord's and everything in it!

The world and all who live in it belong to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord with our whole heart.

We will be glad and exult in You!

Let us worship and give praise to God's holy name.

Glory to God in the highest heavens and peace to God's people on earth.

Let us worship and adore God now and forever.

HYMN No. 135*

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

PRAYER OF ADORATION*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH* (The Apostles' Creed)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Kelly LePenske

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Christ, we confess to You our willingness to be loved and also our reluctance to love. We admit our readiness to accept Your forgiveness but also our refusal to forgive. In the Advent season, forgive us for our failure to respond to You as we should. Come to us anew and, by Your grace, help us to respond to Your salvation with joy like the shepherds; with gratitude like Simeon; with obedience like Mary; and with love as You have loved us. Have mercy, Lord; have mercy upon us all. Amen.

Time for personal prayers of confession before God

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Comfort, comfort, my people,' says Your God. 'Your sins are pardoned. The penalty is paid.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth."

RESPONSE No. 805*

Glory Be to the Father

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Rev. Spencer & Elder Booker

Baptism of Luke Daniel Joyce and Madison Taylor O'Brien
Parents: Katherine & Eric Joyce and Jaclyn O'Brien

Congregational Prayer for Parents No. 765

Hymn No. 470, vs. 1-2

Jesus Loves Me. This I Know

ANTHEM A Joyful Advent Song

Rebecca Neindorff, Piano

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER ('debts')

Kelly LePenske

Kunkel

Burrows

WAY OF THE WEEK

Rev. Stuart Spencer

OFFERTORY

Prepare Ye the Way
Choristers/Adam Connor, Drum

Carol Manion, Piano

Taylor Krott & Bethany Trzeciak, Soloists

Junior Choir/Janet Wilkie. Flute

RESPONSE No. 809*

Praise God From Whom All Blessings

PRAYER OF DEDICATION*

Kelly LePenske

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 1:67-80 (pg. 58 NT, Pew Bible)

SERMON

Zechariah's Song

Rev. Spencer

Sermon Series: The Songs of Christmas

HYMN No. 332* (Tune 203)

Blest Be the God of Israel

MUSIC IN PREPARATION FOR SERVICE

Kathy Gunsallus

Prepare the Royal Highway

Weber

BENEDICTION*