## 9 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

- Seeking to be Faithful Followers of Jesus Christ in the 21st Century -

PRELUDE Advent Medley

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please sign the attendance register.)

INTROIT "Sleepers, Wake!" A Voice Astounds Us

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING: HOPE

**HYMN** O Come, O Come, Emmanuel #9

## UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

How many times, Lord Jesus, have you come to us unwelcomed? How often have you visited yet we have been too busy to notice, spoken yet we have been too full of ourselves to hear? Change all our insensitive habits and help us to do better during this Advent. Make us so sensitive to your immediate comings in the ups and downs of each ordinary day that we will be well prepared to welcome your Final Coming as a celebration of love and joy. Amen \*Silent Prayer

# \*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

## \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST WITH ONE ANOTHER

The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Jared Chase

\*GOSPEL READING John 1:1-5 + 14-18

ANTHEM Sing Gloria by Katherine K. Davis
The shepherds sleep among their sheep, all silent they lie, when clear and strong there comes a song from
angels on high. Sing gloria in excelsis! Jesus is born! Now hark and hear this word of cheer, and be not afraid. In
humble guise the infant lies, in a manger laid. The shepherds heard the wondrous word the angels did sing, and

travelled then to Bethlehem to worship their King. We follow them to Bethlehem, our Saviour to greet. Our hearts we bring, an offering to lay at His feet.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord in your mercy, *Hear our prayers* 

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

Offertory Oh How A Rose by Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

**Prayer of Dedication** 

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 40:1-11

SERMON WE'VE WAITED SO LONG Pastor Austin Ashenbrenner

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Words of Institution and the Prayer of Thanksgiving

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

As we wait in faith for the healing love of Christ,

We embrace a mystery of reborn hope and the power of love: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will

come again.

**COMMUNION MUSIC** Cantabile by Theodore Dubois (1837-1924)

\* CLOSING HYMN Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus #2

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*LEAVING IN JOY Congregational Response Amen #585

**Postlude** Recessional by William Mathias (1934-1992)

<sup>\*</sup>Congregation stands. If you prefer, please feel free to remain seated.

#### LEADERS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Worship Leaders: Katie Schmidt and Pastor Austin Ashenbrenner

Ushers: The Hollinger family: Ryan, Rachel, Thomas, Caitlin and Steve Schmidt

Advent Candle lighters: Bill and Sally Bastine

Communion Servers: Pastor, Bonnie Foti, John Lesh, Elaine Price and Ann Luce

## LEADERS IN NEXT SUNDAY'S ONE 10 AM CHILD AND YOUTH LED WORSHIP SERVICE

Worship Leaders: RPC Children and Youth and Pastor Austin Ashenbrenner

**Ushers:** Dan and JoAnna Birmingham

Advent Candle lighters: Kenneth Butcher and Johann De Villiers

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