

9:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

November 27, 2011

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude *Advent Medley*
Greeting and Announcements *Please sign the attendance register.*
Organ Chimes *(followed by a moment of silence to prepare our hearts for worship)*
Introit *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* -Soloist Jessica Ahnert
-Latin chant adapted by Thomas Helmore

THE ADVENT WREATH: The Candle of Peace

-Bill, Sally and Jamie Bastine

Reading Unison Prayer

O God of peace, as the light of the candle burns, so let your peace shine in our hearts. By your Spirit, may the fire of faith burn within us that we may live with courage in the face of the world's darkness. Amen.

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

LITANY OF CONFESSION

O God of Christmas, past, present, and future, as we enter this season of Advent we seek greater awareness of ourselves, and the strangers in our midst.

Forgive us for turning away from the deeper dimensions of relationships – from entering into the pain of others and the hope that others seek.

Forgive us for closing our eyes and ears to a world that suffers and cries.

Forgive us for hardening our hearts to the hope you brought to us in Jesus Christ and your hidden presence working in the midst of our troubled world.

Awaken us as we direct our full attention to you. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

***The Gloria Patri** **#579**

*SHARING THE PEACE WITH ONE ANOTHER

The peace of Christ be with you always.

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

CHILDREN'S STORY

-Pastor Larry

(Children may come forward and leave for Children's Church afterwards.)

*GOSPEL SCRIPTURE

This is the word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

Mark 10:13-16
(New Testament p. 46)

ANTHEM

Carol of the Bells
RPC Small Ensemble

-arr. Willhousky

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Call to the Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

Chorale

J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)

***THE DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* **#592**

***GOSPEL SCRIPTURE** **John 1:10-13**
(New Testament p. 91)

MEDITATION

Christmas in the Movies

"The Children of Christmas"

-Pastor Larry

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

*THE BENEDICTION

*LEAVING IN JOY

Congregational Response *God Be With You Till We Meet Again* -Rankin

God be with you till we meet again; By His counsels guide, uphold you,

With His sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

Verset

Johann Pachelbel

**Congregation stands.* If you prefer, please feel free to remain seated.

(1653-1706)

LEADERS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Worship Leaders: Pastor Larry and Dave Rich

Ushers: Ralph and Yvonne Dines

NEXT SUNDAY – WORSHIP AT 9:00AM

Worship Leaders: Pastor Larry and Darleen Johnson

Ushers: Al Smith and Jackie Riddell

Communion Servers: Elders – Al Smith and Jackie Riddell; Deacons – Cindy Pearson

Lectionary Readings: Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; 2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8

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REDMOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

9:00AM Traditional Worship



Christmas in the Movies

“The Children of Christmas”

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9:00 AM WORSHIP LEADER SHEET – NOVEMBER 27, 2011

CALL TO CONFESSION

Now we enter into a time of confession. Please join me in the litany of confession as we share together the truth of our brokenness and the promise of God's forgiveness. Then let us confess in silence as we search our own hearts in private prayer . . .

(Lead the litany. Then allow time after the litany – 30 seconds to 1 minute – for silent prayer. Then say Amen.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the words from Psalm 32:1-2.

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. Brothers and sisters in Christ: Hear the Good News. Our sins are forgiven through the grace of Jesus Christ.

(The congregation now sings the Gloria Patri)

SHARING PEACE WITH ONE ANOTHER

The peace of Christ has been extended to us through His gracious sacrifice and love. As we have received the Lord's shalom, let us pass on this well-being and blessing to everyone in our midst.

The peace of Christ be with you always. **AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

Please greet your neighbor with the peace of Christ.

SCRIPTURE

Let us pray in preparation for the reading and preaching of God's word:

Dear God, we know that our ears can be dull, and our minds closed, and our hearts hardened. We need you to awaken us and deepen us to hear your voice in the scriptures and in the proclamation. Open us by the working of your spirit so that as the Scriptures are read and Your Word is proclaimed, we may hear and do what You say to us today. Amen.

Please stand for a reading from the Gospel of Mark, chapter 10, verses 13-16.

(at the end of the reading say)

"This is the Word of the Lord." **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

CALL TO THE OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God continues to bless us. Let us acknowledge the source of our abundance by returning a portion of what we have been given for the work of God's kingdom.

(Please follow this introduction with the prayer)

Oh God, you have showered us with so many gifts – a wonderful place to live, caring people to go through life with, and a clear call to respond to your love for us in Jesus Christ. This offering that we intend to give is a part of our response. May they be used for your work in our church and in our world. Amen.

(After the prayer say) **We will now receive the offering.**