

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship for November 28, 2021

First Sunday in Advent Celebrating Hope

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude –

Call to Worship

Show us your unfailing love, O God, our Savior,
and grant us your salvation.

Listen to what the Lord our God says:

He promises peace to his people,
who are his beloved saints.

The Lord will indeed give what is good.

Righteousness goes before him
and prepares the way for his steps.

**May the Lord make his holy face to shine upon us
in this time of Advent worship.**

May we see God's face and so know peace. Amen.

—based on Psalm 85:7-13, NIV

Anthem

Lighting the Advent Candle – Baer Family

Watch and wait for Christ's coming!

Light candles of hope, peace, joy, and love,
remembering the promises of God with prayer.

We light this candle in hope.

Hear God's promise of hope from Jeremiah 33:14-16:

"The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Let us pray:

**Faithful God,
out of death you bring life.
Renew us in hope,
that we may be alert
to the burgeoning of Christ's advent among us.
God of promise, God of hope,
meet us in our places of need**

Our Response **He Came Down**

**He came down that we may have hope;
He came down that we may have hope;
He came down that we may have hope,
Hallelujah forevermore.**

Call to Confession

Seeing that we have a great High Priest who has entered the inmost heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us therefore approach the throne of grace with fullest confidence, that we may receive mercy for our failures and grace to help in the hour of need.

In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God.

—based on Hebrews 4:14, 16

Prayer of Confession

**Lord, we have not kept watch for you.
We have occupied ourselves with our own concerns.
We have not waited to find your will for us.
We have not noticed the needs of the people around us.
We have not acknowledged the love that has been shown to us.
Forgive us for our lack of watchfulness.
Help us to wait to know your will.
Help us to look out for the needs of others.
Help us to work and watch for your coming. Amen.**

Silent Confession

(A time of silence will be observed for personal confession.)

Assurance of Pardon

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.
Your sins are pardoned.
The penalty is paid.
Thanks be to God.

—based on Isaiah 40:1-2

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

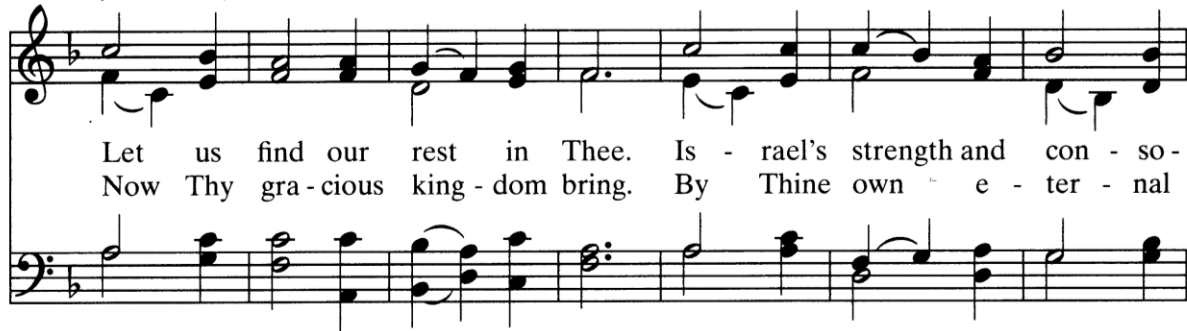
*Hymn Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus



1. Come, Thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, Born to set Thy
2. Born Thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, Born a child and



peo - ple free; From our fears and sins re - lease us;
yet a King, Born to reign in us for - ev - er,



Let us find our rest in Thee. Is - rael's strength and con - so -
Now Thy gra - cious king - dom bring. By Thine own e - ter - nal



la - tion, Hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear de - sire of
Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone; By Thine all - suf -



ev - ery na - tion, Joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
fi - cient mer - it Raise us to Thy glo - rious throne.

First Scripture Lesson

Jeremiah 33:14-16

14 The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵ In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶ In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Second Scripture Lesson

Luke 21:25-28

25 "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶ People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷ Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. ²⁸ Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Sermon – Days Are Surely Coming **Rev. Jennifer A. Baer**

*Hymn What Child Is This

Em D G D Em Am B

1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing?
 2. Why lies He in such mean es - tate Where ox and ass are feed - ing?
 3. So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come, one and all, to own Him.

Em D G D Em Am B Em^{sus4} Em

Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?
 Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing.
 The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let lov - ing hearts en - throne Him.

Bm G D Em Am B

This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;

Bm G D Em Am B Em^{sus4} Em

Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Ma - ry!

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory –

*Doxology (Hymn 592)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer

*Sending Forth and Benediction

*Choral Response

Go Tell It on the Mountain

**Refrain: Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills, and ev'rywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born.**

**While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
Behold, throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light. [Refrain]**

Postlude

Liturgist: Doug Stevens

Soloist: Jessica Starcher

Head Deacons: Linda Baines & Barbara Rinker

Pastor: Rev. Jennifer A. Baer

Music Director: Pamela Carroll

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The flowers today are dedicated to the glory of God in memory of my parents Joyce and Harry Swepston and to the glory of God.