

2nd Week of Advent - Peace

Prelude

GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements

WE GATHER BEFORE GOD



VU 6 A Candle is Burning v. 1-2

Call to Worship

The prophets foretold the good news

Advent is the glorious season of hope-filled waiting

Signs of anticipation and yearning of the heart surround us

We long for the Christ child – the One who brings great Peace.

HYMN VU 2 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Opening Prayer

Dear Jesus, You are heaven's eternal King – and You were brought to earth to be our Saviour. In every challenge, every hardship, every trial...You remain faithful. You came to Bethlehem, so we need never be alone. You slept peacefully in a manger, and now we can sleep in peace at home or hotel or hospital. For You, our Prince of Peace, are with us to guard, protect and comfort. Let Your presence kindle a lasting thrill of hope in our hearts, this Christmas and always. AMEN.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

SERVICE OF THE WORD TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Philippians 4:4-7

New International Version

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 5:9

New International Version

Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

This is the word of God for the people of God
ALL; Thanks be to God.

HYMN VU 20 *On Jordan's Bank*

Choir Anthem

Welcome to Our World – Cantata #6

Children's Time

Sermon Message – Rev. Naumann

Ministry of Music

Song for a Winter's Night

Advent Prayer

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way for Your only Son, Jesus Christ. By His coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace. Send down Your Spirit to guide us during Advent this year. May the Holy Spirit guide our journey closer to You and may You lift us up when we feel down. Each of us stumble at times and we search for Your strength to carry us through. Our Father...

WE GO FORTH AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Invitation to the Offering

DOXOLOGY VU 55 *In the Bleak Midwinter, verse 4*

Offering Dedication

Loving God, we thank You today for the generosity of Your people and their willingness to give back a portion of the many blessings that You have bestowed upon us. We thank You for those donations given through PAR and those that continue to give today. May You bless the offering, our time and resources for it is all to Your glory we pray – Amen.

HYMN VU 9 *People, Look East*

COMMISSIONING AND SENDING FORTH

Peace, I leave with you; my peace I give you says The Lord.
Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.
For I am Your Lord and will provide all that you need.

Benediction:

As We Leave this Quiet Place

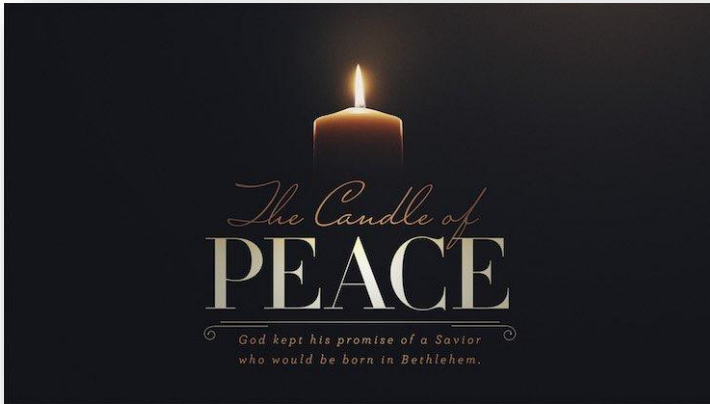
Nancy Price, Don Besig

"As we leave this quiet place, the light of Christ will guide us.
As we share His truth and grace, our Lord will walk beside us.
May the peace of God be with us as we live and serve in faith.
May the love of Christ within us show in all we do and say.
Amen, Amen."

Postlude

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall following the service today for a special Christmas Treat.

Please note that there will not be a 10:15 am service on Sunday December 14 due to Cantata at 3pm.



Leading Worship:

Rev. Lisa Naumann

Music Director

Craig Garnham

Sunday December 07, 2025

Thank you!

Tiegan Armstrong for reading the Scripture
Donna Armstrong & Vickie Forsyth for preparing the Coffee and the
Pastoral Care Committee for the Cookies & Poinsettias
Philip Armstrong for Slides and Audio
Paul Sawatsky for Guitar Accompaniment

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VU 2 – Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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- 1 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.
 - 2 Israel's strength and consolation,
 hope of all the earth thou art,
 dear desire of every nation,
 joy of every longing heart.
 - 3 Born thy people to deliver;
 born a child and yet a king;
 born to reign in us for ever;
 now thy gracious kingdom bring.
 - 4 By thine own eternal Spirit
 rule in all our hearts alone;
 by thine all-sufficient merit
 raise us to thy glorious throne.
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VU 6 – A Candle Is Burning

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- 1 A candle is burning, a flame warm and bright,
 a candle of hope in December's dark night.
 While angels sing blessings from heaven's starry sky,
 our hearts we prepare now for Jesus is nigh.
 - 2 A candle is burning, a candle of peace,
 a candle to signal that conflict must cease:
 for Jesus is coming to show us the way;
 a message of peace humbly laid in the hay
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VU 20 – On Jordan's Bank

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- 1 On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry
 announces that the Lamb is nigh;
 awake and hearken, for he brings
 glad tidings of the King of Kings.

VU 20 – On Jordan's Bank (cont'd)

- 2 Then cleansed be every life from sin;
 make straight the way for God within;
 and let each heart prepare a home
 where such a mighty guest may come.
- 3 In You, we find abundant life,
 our refuge in the midst of strife;
 without Your grace we waste away,
 like flowers that wither and decay.
- 4 Stretch forth Your hand, our health restore,
 and help us rise to fall no more.
 O let Your face upon us shine,
 and fill the world with love divine.
- 5 All praise to You, eternal Son,
 whose advent has our freedom won;
 and praise to God whom we adore,
 with Holy Spirit evermore.
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VU 55 – In the Bleak Midwinter

Words by Christina Georgina Rossetti, 1872 Public Domain

- 4 What can I give him, poor as I am?
 If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
 if I were a wise man, I would do my part;
 yet what I can I give him - give my heart.
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VU 9 – People, Look East

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- 1 People, look east. The time is near
 of the crowning of the year.
 Make your house fair as you are able,
 trim the hearth and set the table.
 People, look east and sing today:
 Love the guest is on the way.
- 2 Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,
 one more seed is planted there:
 give up your strength the seed to nourish,
 that in course the flower may flourish.
 People, look east and sing today:
 Love the rose is on the way.

VU 9 – People, Look East (cont'd)

- 3 Birds, though you long have ceased to build,
 guard the nest that must be filled;
 even the hour when wings are frozen
 God for fledging time has chosen.
 People, look east and sing today:
 Love the bird is on the way.
- 4 Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim
 one more light the bowl shall brim,
 shining beyond the frosty weather,
 bright as sun and moon together.
 People, look east and sing today:
 Love the star is on the way.
- 5 Angels, announce with shouts of mirth
 Christ who brings new life to earth.
 Set every peak and valley humming
 with the word, the Lord is coming.
 People, look east and sing today:
 Love the Lord is on the way.

Hymns