



First Presbyterian Church
December 1, 2024
1st Sunday of Advent

Pastor Jim Dougans

Silent Prayer of Preparation

Christ is coming. He is coming to make all things new. Eternal God, during this season of Advent, help us prepare Christ's way, help us center our hearts, minds and prayers on your holy presence in our midst.

Prelude

Handbells

Welcome

The Lord be with you. And also with you

Introit

Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is coming!

All: We see the signs!

Leader: Christ is coming!

All: We will be ready!

Leader: Christ is coming! Raise your heads because your redemption is drawing near!

All: Praise be to God! We will worship and prepare.

Lighting the Advent Candle

Leader: The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promises I have made.

People: To you, O Lord, we lift up our souls: In you, O God, we trust.

Leader: The one who is coming will show us the path of steadfast love and faithfulness.

People: Teach us your ways, O God of our salvation.

Leader: We light this candle in the sure hope that God's promises endure.

[Here light the first Advent candle]

People: We will live in the light of hope as we await the coming of the Lord.

Hymn

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

#2

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Prince of Peace, the wars and rumors of wars betray our addiction to violence, our destructive and dehumanizing ways. We deserve your judgement and condemnation. Yet, you remain faithful, a steadfast source of peace in the midst of our warring madness. Holy God,

turn us from evil. Return us to Christ and his path of peace. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Amen.

Silent Prayer (Please continue to pray silently [wait ten seconds or so] Amen.)

Assurance of Pardon

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that we are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

#579

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.

Anthem Introduction-

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Anthem

"An Advent Yearning"

Michael Barrett

WE HEAR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading
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Jeremiah 33:14-16
Luke 21:25-36

701 Page in pew Bible
926 Page in pew Bible

Sermon

"The Coming of the Son of Man"
Moment for Silent Meditation

Pastor Jim

...in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

Hymn

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

#5

The Apostle's Creed (Traditional) p. 14 of the Blue Hymnal

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Eucharist

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving
Lord's Prayer
Communion of the People
Prayer after Communion

The Offering

Call for the Offering

The Offertory

The Doxology

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

Prayer of Dedication

Announcements, Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD TO DO GOD'S WORK

Hymn

"Walk on, O People of God"

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Charge and Benediction

Benediction...

Benediction Response #586

Amen

DANISH

A - men. A - men. A - men.

Postlude

Worship Team

Pastor.....Jim Dougans
Liturgist.....Joey O'Cull
Choir Director.....Nick Denham
Organist.....Kristen Gallenstein
Head Usher.....Ernie Siders
Greeter.....Peg Crum
Videographer.....Alex Wood
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