

Worship 9:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.

Please join in speaking the words in bold.

Prelude

"Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme", BWV 645 ("Wake, Awake for Night is Flying") Ricardo Ramirez, organist

J. S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I shall fulfill my promise to my people.

Justice and Righteousness will fill the land and all will live in peace and safety.

Anthem

(9:00 AM)

Father, Long Your People Waited

K. Lee Scott

Chancel Choir, Patricia Hughes Mangis, Director of Music/Worship Arts

(10:30 AM)

Comfort Ye

Deanna Witkowski

Crossroads Worship Band, Seth Durbin, director

Call to Confession

With confidence in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

Lord, have mercy on us. We are not ready for your coming.

We live in sin, as though there were no justice.

We live in fear, as though there were no grace.

Forgive us, Lord. Show us your mercy and steadfast love. Lead us in your truth, and teach us your paths,

for you are the God of our salvation. Amen.

Silent prayers may be offered.

Words of Assurance and Pardon

Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM (10:30 AM)

Ava Leigh Hutchison

(See Screen)

Parents - Sean and Ashley Lynn (Trent) Hutchison

Grandparents: Jon and Jane Trent; James and Barb Hutchison

Great-grandmother: MaryAnna Fenton

Advent Candle Litany

The Gospel of John speaks of Christ as the true light coming into the world. In commemoration of that coming, we light candles for the four weeks leading to Christmas and reflect on the coming of Christ.

It is significant that the church has always used that language—the coming of Christ—because it speaks to a deep truth. Christ is coming. Christ is always coming, always entering a troubled world, a wounded heart.

And so we light the first candle, the candle of hope, and dare to express our longing for peace, for healing, and the well-being of all creation.

Loving God, as we enter this Advent season, we confess that we have not always been a people of hope, giving in to the cynicism and despair of the world. Help us to open the dark places in our lives and memories to the healing light of Christ. Show us the creative power of hope. Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you so that we may walk in the light of Christ.

Response

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Laura Olsen, Tin Whistle

Scripture Luke 21: 25-36

26 "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."

²⁹ Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰ as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³² Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³⁴ "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵ like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

The Word of God, for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

(The congregation may join in singing the remaining songs with masks in place)

HYMN #211

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

(Verses 1, 2, 4, 6)

- (1) O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
- (2) O come, thou Wisdom from on high, and order all things far and nigh; to us the path of knowledge show and cause us in her ways to go. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
- (4) O come, thou root of Jesse's tree, an ensign of thy people be; before thee rulers silent fall; all peoples on thy mercy call. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
- (6) O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by thy justice here; disperse the gloomy clouds of night, And death's dark shadows put to flight. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

Invitation to Offering

OFFERTORY (9:00 AM)

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry PUER NOBIS NACSITUR/arr. Charles E. Peery

Dana Angel, harp; Ricardo Ramirez, organ

(10:30 AM)

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Edouard Basptiste

Ricardo Ramirez, organ

Doxology #94

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Gratitude

God of righteousness, by becoming flesh and living among us, you saved us, restored us and redeemed all of creation. In faith and hope we offer our gifts of money and self, that we may be part of what you are doing in the world even now. Make us ready for Christ to come again into our world and into our hearts. Amen.

Hymn #213

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

- (1) Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates; behold, the King of glory waits; the King of kings is drawing near; the Savior of the world is here!
- (2) Fling wide the portals of your heart; make it a temple, set apart from earthly use for heaven's employ, adorned with prayer and love and joy.
- (3) Redeemer, come, with us abide; our hearts to thee we open wide; let us thy inner presence feel; thy grace and love in us reveal.
- (4) Thy Holy Spirit lead us on until our glorious goal is won; eternal praise, eternal fame be offered, Savior, to thy name!

Benediction

Postlude

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BuxWV 211, "Savior of the Nations Come"

Dietrich Buxtehude

The Rose on the Altar - is in celebration of the birth of Christopher Arthur Fumarolo to Steve and Laurie on Monday, November 22, 2021. He is welcomed home by big sister Allison.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Every year, Barrington UMC donates Christmas gifts to children in need through Kids Above All and the Early Learning Center of District 220. If you would like to participate, we ask that gifts include an item of clothing and a toy totaling not more than \$40. Sign up online or in the BUMC Lobby today

Once registered, you will receive a response from Barbara Bond within a few days. If you don't hear from her, please email her directly at bbond32190@aol.com. Gifts should be returned by Sunday, December 5, unwrapped in a gift bag with a tag from St. Nicholas and the child's name.

BUMC Church Conference

December 7 at First UMC, West Dundee

We will celebrate our multisite ministry with a joint church conference on Tuesday, December 7 at 6:45 p.m.,with the

Staff-Parish Relations Committee meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Drop 'N Shop

Saturday, December 4, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



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