



**ADVENT**  
SECOND SUNDAY

**A Voice from the Wilderness**

Rev. Trey Haddon

**Sunday, December 5, 2021**

**10:30 AM Service**

**\*Congregational Singing requires masks to stay on**

**PRELUDE**

Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming

John Muir, Vocal and Guitar

**WELCOME and LIFE TOGETHER**

Rev Trey Haddon

**CHORAL INTROIT**

Rejoice, Rejoice  
VENI EMMANUEL

Chapel Choir Interns

**ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING**

The Wylie Family

**\*CALL to WORSHIP**

As Sarah waited ninety years for a son to fulfill God's promise.

**We wait in hope for the word to become flesh.**

As Moses waited forty years in the desert  
being prepared by God to lead his people.

**We wait for emptiness and humility to wither.**

As John the Baptist waited;  
Scanning the crowds for the one whose sandals  
he would not be worthy to untie.

**We long for a full experience of the Divine!**

Kathy Frank

**CALL to CONFESSION**

Rev. Trey Haddon

**PRAYER of CONFESSION**

**Most patient God, we recognize how much we need you for life itself. But how often have we behaved as if we do not know, or even care, about you? We become the ones who do not carry out justice; we try to dominate others even as you stand with them.**

**Yet, you still call us to be among your loving creation. Mold us to be among those who seek you, stand up for your people, and see your face in all creation.**

**\*ASSURANCE of PARDON**

My friends, when we are lost, all is not lost.

God is seeking us, calling us to be in relationship!

**Gathering us as the people of God.**

**Let us prepare ourselves for the way of everlasting mercy!**

**PASSING of the PEACE**

Deacon Bryce Jones

**SONG of the DAY**

Open My Eyes That I May See

\*Congregational Singing

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

Philippians 1:3-11

Deacon Teri Parker

**WORD in SONG**

Hark! A Herald Voice is Calling  
Richard Shephard

Chapel Choir Interns

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 3:1-6

Rev. Trey Haddon

## MESSAGE

A Voice from the Wilderness

## HYMN

Wild and Lone the Prophet's Voice

## AFFIRMATION of FAITH

Jamie Bishop

## SACRAMENT of HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Trey Haddon

## BENEDICTION

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## POSTLUDE

Kevin Chunko

The King Shall Come (tune: Consolation)

David N. Johnson

## Phillipians 3:1-11

**3** Finally, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord.

To write the same things to you is not troublesome to me, and for you it is a safeguard.

<sup>2</sup> Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of those who mutilate the flesh! <sup>3</sup> For it is we who are the circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and boast in Christ Jesus and have no confidence in the flesh— <sup>4</sup> even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more:

<sup>5</sup> circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup> as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

<sup>7</sup> Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ.

<sup>8</sup> More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. <sup>10</sup> I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

## Luke 3:1-6

**3** In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, <sup>2</sup> during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup> He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, <sup>4</sup> as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.

<sup>5</sup> Every valley shall be filled,  
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,  
and the crooked shall be made straight,  
and the rough ways made smooth;

<sup>6</sup> and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”