

PRELUDE	Waltz in C-sharp Minor, <i>Frederic Chopin</i>	Nathan Nicolas, piano
WELCOME & LIFE TOGETHER	Rev. Trey Haddon and Mackenzie Jager	
ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING		The Parker Family
CHORAL INTROIT	Rejoice, Rejoice, VENI EMMANUEL	Chapel Choir
*CALL to WORSHIP	Rev. Trey Haddon and Mackenzie Jager	
	Our souls magnify the Lord! Our spirits rejoice in God our Savior! The Mighty One has done great things for us! Holy is God's name! Let us worship God. For God is our Maker and our Redeemer; from generation to generation God gives mercy. <i>—The Worship Sourcebook</i>	
CALL to CONFESSION		
PRAYER of CONFESSION		
	Merciful God, we confess that we do not know how to prepare for your coming. We have forgotten how to hope in miracles; we have ignored the promise of your kingdom; we get distracted by the busyness of the season. Forgive us, God. Grant us wonder and faith like Mary that we may travel with her to Bethlehem and find the good news of a child born for us. Now, in the quiet of our hearts, we ask you to make us ready for your coming. Amen. <i>—Adapted from The Worship Sourcebook</i>	
ASSURANCE of PARDON		
	Generations of promises and prophecies find their home in Jesus Christ. In Christ, we are forgiven and free. With hopeful hearts, we cry: Come now, long-expected Jesus, come again to rule in our hearts. Amen.	
GLORIA PATRI		Congregational Singing
PASSING of the PEACE		Mackenzie Jager
*SONG of the DAY	O Come, O Come, Emmanuel, No. 9	Congregational Singing
FIRST SCRIPTURE READING		Jamie Bishop
	Luke 1:39–45 Spark Story Bible, <i>by Patti Thisted Arthur</i>	
	————— <i>Children depart to Sunday School</i> —————	
WORD in SONG	December Carol, <i>Mark Wilson</i>	Chapel Choir
SECOND SCRIPTURE READING		Mackenzie Jager
	Luke 1:46–56	
MESSAGE		Mackenzie Jager
	Preparation	
*HYMN	Song of Hope, No. 432 (sung twice)	Congregational Singing
PRAYERS of the PEOPLE		Mackenzie Jager
OFFERING		
	Offertory Breath of Heaven, <i>Amy Grant</i> Doxology Prayer of Thanksgiving	
*HYMN	Canticle of the Turning, GTG No. 100	Congregational Singing
*BENEDICTION		Mackenzie Jager
POSTLUDE		Kevin Chunko

Luke 1:39–45

³⁹In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

⁴¹When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴²and exclaimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. ⁴³And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.”

Luke 1:46–56

⁴⁶ And Mary said,
“My soul magnifies the Lord,
⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
⁴⁸ for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
⁴⁹ for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
⁵⁰ His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
⁵¹ He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
⁵² He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;
⁵³ he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.
⁵⁴ He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
⁵⁵ according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants forever.”
⁵⁶ And Mary remained with her about three months
and then returned to her home.

December Carol

Mark Wilson

We sing of bright December,
When winter comes to earth.
It’s then we will remember
The time of Jesus’ birth.

So joyfully join in a carol to welcome the King;
Merrily meet we now to dance and sing.

Rejoice and be ye merry!
Now love is born for all, uniting earth
and heaven in Bethlehem’s cattle stall.
Rejoice!

Light from heaven, God’s own Son!
Child of Mary, Blessed One!
Bring from darkness love’s release.
Light our loves with joy and peace!

This child will be our treasure, our confidence and joy;
a gift from God’s own measure in Mary’s infant boy.

A wonderful beacon star appears
in the heavens to brighten the earth!
A jubilant angel choir proclaims His birth!

We echo all the angels who sing in heaven above;
and welcome in His cradle the Prince of Peace,
the chosen one, the Child of God, the King of Love!

Upcoming Adult Education Classes

JUDGES IN JANUARY. This class will run Sundays in January 8–22.

Come join Director of Ministry Mackenzie Jager on a journey through some of the most shocking stories in the Bible. As we tackle the book of Judges, we'll consider what these stories of violence reveal about God, the people of God, and the life of faith. Each week we'll explore a different story from Judges through a mix of lecture and discussion. Can't wait to see you there!

MISSIONS

REVERSE ADVENT COMMUNITY MISSION

During this season of Advent, we invite you to make a donation to help those in need. Beginning Sunday, November 27, there will be a donation area outside of the sanctuary doors.

Suggested items for donation include:

socks, men's and women's gloves, men's and women's hats, peanut butter, canned tuna, canned corn, soup cans with pull tab, boxes of mac and cheese, cups of Ramen noodles, chapstick, cans of Vienna sausage, canned potatoes, disposable razors, cereal, canned or packets of chicken, shaving cream, bags of rice, deodorant, Vaseline, toothpaste, hand warmers, hot chocolate packets.

Please ensure all food donations are non-perishable and sealed.

For more information, please pick up a flyer in the south entrance.

EVENTS COMING UP

UPCOMING SERVICES

Christmas Eve Service is at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

Christmas Day Service is at 9:00 AM in the Chapel.

New Year's Day Service is at 9:00 AM in the Sanctuary

PW Women—LYDIA CIRCLE

Tuesday, December 20 at 9:30–11:00 AM in F100B

PW Women—SARAH CIRCLE

Wednesday, December 21 at 9:30–11:00 AM in F100B

HAPPENING EVERY WEEK

SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES

8:00 am: Chapel Worship

10:30 am: Sanctuary Service
(Children will depart for Sunday School during service)

EVERY SUNDAY

9:00 am: ACE (Adult Christian Education)

9:15 am: Sunday Brunch Grab & Go

3:00 pm: FTC Robotics
Lego League Robotics

EVERY TUESDAY

8:30 am: Morning Men's Bible Study

6:00 pm: FTC Robotics

EVERY WEDNESDAY

6:00 pm: *K–6 Kid's Min (90 minutes)

6:30 pm: Chapel Choir Rehearsal

*Kid's Min is on break until January 11, 2023

EVERY THURSDAY

11:30 am: Thursday Prayer Lunch

EVERY SATURDAY

10:00 am: *FTC Robotics

*Robotics will not meet Christmas Eve or Christmas Day



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Preparation

Mackenzie Jager

Sunday, December 18, 2022
10:30 AM Service