# The Worship of God

December 4, 2016

The Second Sunday of Advent

### The Gathering

"The season of Advent means there is something on the horizon the likes of which we have never seen before.... What is possible is to not see it, to miss it, to turn just as it brushes past you. So stay. Sit. Linger. Tarry. Ponder. Wait. Behold. Wonder. There will be time enough for running. For rushing. Wait. Something is on the horizon."

Jan L. Richardson

Prelude Finale on HYFRYDOL Henry Coleman

Choral Introit "Come to Bethlehem" Freeman
Opening of the Bible Meghan Maddox

Call to Worship Spencer Hall

Leader: The world is dark and cold.

People: We look for signs of your coming.

Leader: The world is hungry for righteousness.

People: We look for signs of your coming.

Leader: The world yearns for true love.

People: We look for signs of your coming.

Hymn No. 133 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" VENI EMMANUEL

Christian Greetings Tobin Shepherd

Lighting the Advent Wreath Candles Taylor Hartley and Dellon Pope

Hymn No. 171 "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" MENDELSSOHN

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 10:33-11:10

Morning Prayer

Gospel Lesson Luke 4:14-19

Anthem "Keep Your Lamps" Andre Thomas

Sermon "From the Stump of Jesse" Dr. Ray Howell III

Hymn No. 157 "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" IN DULCI JUBILO

Offertory Prayer

The Offertory Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

arr. Albin Whitworth

Doxology

(sung to the tune VENI EMMANUEL)

All praise to God the Holy one;

Praise Christ in whom God's grace is fully known;

Praise to the Spirit evermore;

Praise Holy Trinity whom we adore!

Rejoice! Praise God the Lord above;

Who sets us free through mercy and love!

Choral Benediction "May The Peace of Christ Go With You From This Place" Freeman

Postlude Praise Ye, the Lord of Hosts arr. Albin Whitworth

## Today's Lay Reader is Lewie Phillips

Musicians for today's service

Beverly Khemlani - Organ Brian Walker - Percussion Youth Choir, Sanctuary Choir, Senior Adult Choir

# Christian Sympathy

Heartfelt Christian sympathy is extended to Don Swing and his family on the death of his brother, William E. "Ed" Swing of Greensboro who died on November 28.

#### Congratulations!

The rosebud in the vestibule celebrates the birth of Sophia Claire Tate, the daughter of Will and Chelsea Tate on November 22. Happy grandparents are Jim and Debbie Tate and great-grandparents; Louise Tate and Sonny and Raye Leonard.

# Salvation Army Christmas Angels

Christmas Angels are available today. Please place your unwrapped gifts on the stage with tag attached by Monday, December 12. Volunteers will be needed at 3:45 p.m. on December 12 to transport the gifts.

#### **Musical Presentations**

Our Children's and Youth Choirs will sing this Wednesday night, December 7. All of our choirs will sing in the worship service next Sunday. Two weeks from today will be the Nine Lessons and Carols.

#### Birthday Party for Jesus

Children are invited to join the Birthday Party for Jesus this morning in the Children's Fellowhip Hall.

#### Sanctuary Poinsettias

In memory of W. Stanford Tate by Jim Tate's family & Sheri Tate Taylor's family
In memory of Evelyn Tate by Jim Tate's family & Sheri Tate Taylor's family
In memory of Evelyn Tate by Bob Tate and family
In memory of Bob Kirkendall by Becky Kirkendall and family
In memory of Chad Kirdendall by Becky Kirdendall and family
In memory of Matthew Kirkendall by Becky Kirendall and family
In memory of Carolyn Phillips by Jim Phillips and family
Given in honor of Greg & Dena Alexander's parents by Greg & Dena

#### Week's Schedule

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Sunday, 12/4		
6:00 p.:	m. Youth Snack Supper (Young)	Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.:	m. Middle & High School Youth Activities	Sanctuary
Wednesday, 12/7		Fellowship Hall
4:30 - 5:30 p.:	m. Senior Adult Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite
5:30 - 7:30 p.:	m. Childcare Babies (Let church know if needed)	Nursery
5:15 - 6:15 p.:	m. * Dinner (Children First)	Fellowship Hall
6:15 - 7:00p.:	m. Children and Youth Choirs	Fellowship Hall
7:30 - 9:00 p.:	m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	
Menu:	Pork Lion, Rice, Green peas, Baked apples, Salad bar	

#### **Extended Sessions:**

<u>December 4:</u> Bed Babies: Mr. & Mrs. Jon Myers Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: Mr. & Mrs. Josh Boyle 3 & 4 Year Olds: Donna Sink & Ann Bishop

<u>December 11:</u> Bed Babies: Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Jolly Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: Mr. & Mrs. Kyle Kepley 3 & 4 Year Olds: Beverly Fulbright & Brenda Hipp

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Children's menu- Pizza

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