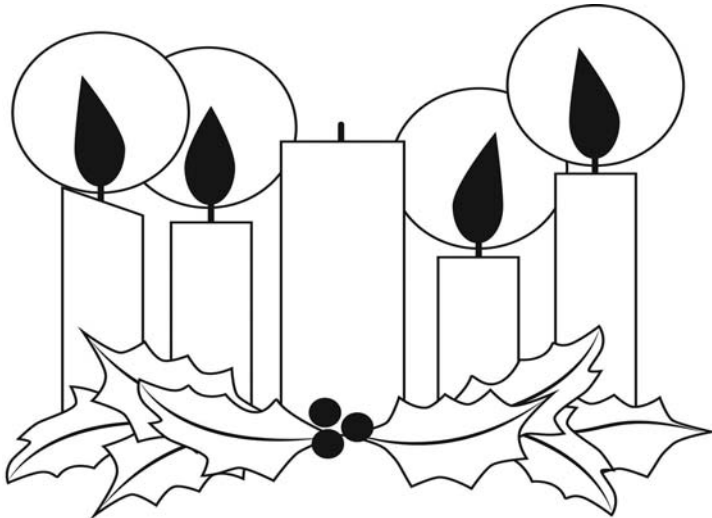


First Presbyterian Church Wichita, Kansas



FOURTH SUNDAY
OF
Advent

December 18, 2016
10:45 a.m.

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

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Prelude

*O Little Town of Bethlehem
Joy to the World*

Paul Manz
Gilbert Martin

Entering with the Candles of Presence

Bronwen Burch and Aidan Schulte

*Call to Worship

Leader: God-with-us, Immanuel, comes to be born among us, becoming one of us, to show us the way, that we might become like him in every way.

People: Rejoice and be glad!

Leader: Let us worship God.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Hibarger Family

*Hymn

Hark! The Herold Angels Sing

No. 31

Prayer of Confession

Shepherd of Israel, God of hosts, we have turned away from you, neglecting the welfare of your creation, ignoring the plight of your people, trampling on the creatures and the plants you have made, taking from Earth what we cannot give back. We have not helped our neighbors in need, kept peace within our families, or tended the vine you have planted in our own lives. Forgive us and lead us to a more gracious life. In your compassion, turn us to your way. Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved. Amen.

Silence

Choral Response

Assurance of Pardon

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

Amen.

*Song of Thanksgiving

Gloria Patri

No. 579

*The Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And, also, with you.

(The children may come forward during the greeting.)

Time with the Children

The Perfect Rose

Reading

Luke 1:26-38, 46-55

The Angel Gabriel and Mary

Josh Holcomb, Tenor; Gretchen Bixler, Soprano

Reading

The Perfect Rose

Isaiah 11:1-2

Reading

Fanfare! Jesus is Born!

Luke 2:1-7

Reading

Shepherd's Song

Luke 2:8-12

Eric Lawrence, Bass

Reading

Awake and Hear Good News! Gloria!

Luke 2:13-20

Reading

Isaiah 9:6-7

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Titles Attributed to a New King as God’s Anointed One “

The Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston

Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer

Gerry Winters

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Call to Stewardship
Offertory

The Perfect Rose (reprise)

*Doxology

No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

Angels We Have Heard on High

No. 23

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Choral Response

Recessing with the Candles of Presence

*Postlude

Joy to the World

Gilbert Martin

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor
Director of Music
Organist

Brent O. Johnston
Steve Bixler
Mark Sweeney

Instrumentalists

Violins
Viola
Cello
Flute
Oboe
Clarinet

Adrienne Dougherty, Laura Black
Caroline Anderson
Camille Burrow
Stephanie Ng
Cindy Thompson
Kyle Stanberry