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# “Quick, Look Busy!”

Order of Worship, December 1, 2019

PRE-SERVICE	<p>“Christmas Time Is Here” Mendelson/Guaraldi</p> <p>“Traditions of Christmas” Davis</p> <p>“The Holly and The Ivy” Davis</p> <p><b>Jazz to Go</b></p>	<p>▲ SCRIPTURE HYMN</p> <p>▲ GOSPEL LESSON</p> <p>▲ SCRIPTURE HYMN</p>	<p><i>People, Look East</i> Hymnal, 202 (vs. 1-3)</p> <p>Matthew 24:36-44</p> <p><i>People, Look East</i> Hymnal, 202 (vs. 4)</p>
WELCOME		SERMON	<p>“Quick, Look Busy!” Rev. Greg Kennedy</p>
PRELUDE	<p>“A Child Is Born” Jones/Corea</p> <p><b>Jazz to Go</b></p>	PRAYER OF CONFESSION	<p>Eternal God, your offer of salvation is a gift beyond price. We know that the night is far gone and that the day is near, but we struggle to rouse ourselves from sleep. We long to open our eyes and behold the glory of your dawn, but our eyelids have grown heavy and the light stings our eyes. We yearn to heed your summons and make a great pilgrimage of faith, but our need for rest seems greater. Call us once again, Holy One, for we long to hear your voice and know that salvation is near. Amen.</p>
▲ CALL TO WORSHIP	<p>How shall we prepare this house for the birth of Jesus? <b>With branches of cedar, the tree of excellence and strength.</b></p> <p>How shall we prepare this house for the eternal Christ? <b>With garlands of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living, ever green.</b></p> <p>How shall we prepare this house for the prophet of Galilee? <b>With wreaths of holly and ivy, telling of his passion, death and resurrection.</b></p> <p>How shall we prepare our hearts for this revelation of God? <b>By hearing again the words of the prophets and the promises of God.</b></p> <p>For in the story of Jesus we see revealed the transforming power of God. We are reminded anew of God’s vision of wholeness, justice, and peace for all of creation. <b>Thanks be to God.</b></p>	WORDS OF ASSURANCE	<p>Hear the good news: Salvation is nearer to us now than when we first came to believe. The one who came as child long ago, will awaken our hearts and give us peace. Thanks be to God.</p>
▲ PROCESSIONAL HYMN	<p><i>O Come, O Come Emmanuel</i> Hymnal, 211 (vs. 1-3)</p>	INVITATION TO CATALYTIC GENEROSITY	
GOD WILL SEND A RIGHTEOUS KING	Jeremiah 23:5-6	OFFERTORY (8:30)	<p>“Joy To The World” Arr. Ahrend <b>Jazz to Go</b></p>
HYMN	<p><i>Blest Be the God of Israel</i> Hymnal, 209 (vs. 1)</p>	(11:00)	<p>“Keep Your Lamps” Andre Thomas <b>Chancel Choir   Jeff Cornelius, percussion</b></p>
THE PROPHET DECLARES A CHILD WILL BE BORN	Isaiah 9:2,6-7	▲ OFFERTORY RESPONSE	<p><i>Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow</i> Hymnal, 94</p>
HYMN	<p><i>Blest Be the God of Israel</i> Hymnal, 209 (vs. 3)</p>	THE GREAT THANKSGIVING	
THE FOURTH SERVANT SONG	Isaiah 53:1-6	THE LORD’S PRAYER	
HYMN	<p><i>Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus</i> Hymnal, 196 (vs. 1)</p>	GIVING AND RECEIVING OF COMMUNION	
MYSTERY OF THE INCARNATION	John 1:1-5, 9-14	MUSIC AT COMMUNION	<p>“O Holy Night” Arr. Ahrend “Star Child” Murry/Young Arr. Ahrend <b>Jazz to Go</b></p>
HYMN	<p><i>Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus</i> Hymnal, 196 (vs. 2)</p>	PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING	
LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH		▲ HYMN TO ENGAGE THE WORLD	<p><i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i> Hymnal, 206</p>
▲ RESPONSE	<i>He Came Down</i>	▲ BLESSING WITH BENEDICTION	
CENTRAL TO LIFE		(11:00) ▲ CHORAL BENEDICTION	<p>“Comfort, Comfort Now My People” Genevan Psalter <b>Chancel Choir</b></p>
▲ PASSING OF THE PEACE	<p><i>Emmanuel, Emmanuel</i> Hymnal, 204</p>	▲ POSTLUDE	<p>Ode To Joy-“Anova” Arr. Ahrend <b>Jazz to Go</b></p>

# Our Prayers Are With...

## Friends/Family deployed, or may be otherwise in harm's way:

Brian Brown Kyle Cassidy Logan Dow	Matthew Hagenloh Brian Hernandez	Tres James Haley Janke	Jared McManus Daniel Murtagh
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**9:00am - 4:00pm**

**FRIDAY**

**9:00am - Noon**

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**8:30am & 11:00am**



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CHURCH**

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