First Presbyterian Church

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP: 8:30am / CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 11:00am
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: 9:30am in Fellowship Hall / SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00

Sunday, December 4, 2016

Second Sunday of Advent

8:30am

PRELUDE "He is Born" – Adams Noah Davis, Clarinet

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH: Guise Family

Leader: This second Sunday in Advent we light this candle as a symbol of Christ the Way. May the Word sent from

God through the prophets lead us to the way of salvation.

People: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel.

That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

*HYMN "Joy to the World" No. 40

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Merciful God, You sent Your messengers, the prophets, to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation. Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Forgive us for not believing that You actually listen to our prayers and renew our confidence and trust in You. We pray this through Jesus our Lord, Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs,

kisses—however you feel led.]

*HYMN

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Beth Feiler

(For those who wish, children grades 1-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)

ANTHEM "To Us is Born" – Praetorius Chancel Choir

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Jonah 3:6-10 (OT p861)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Romans 1:8-15 (NT p152)

SERMON Romans: Faith for Dummies Rev. Robert Bronkema

"Prayer II: Pray For What You Need"

*HYMN "Angels, from the Realms of Glory" No. 22

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "Gesu Bambino" – Yon, arr. Sorenson Noah Davis, Clarinet

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Welcome Distribution

*[Worshipers: please hold the bread, that we may eat together as Christ's one people.

Please drink as you are ready,

in acknowledgment of our individual standing before the Lord.]

*ALLELUIA

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *"Postlude on 'Truro'"* – Bingham

NEXT **W**EEK

Daniel 9:3-10 Romans 1:8-15

"Prayer III: Praying Focused on God"

11:00am

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*Praise & Worship

God With Us

Angels We Have Heard on High

Glory

Prayer & Peace

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Scripture Readings

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Sermon "Prayer II: Pray For What You Need"

Communion

*Offering/Closing Song

Adore

*Benediction

ERMON NOTES:	