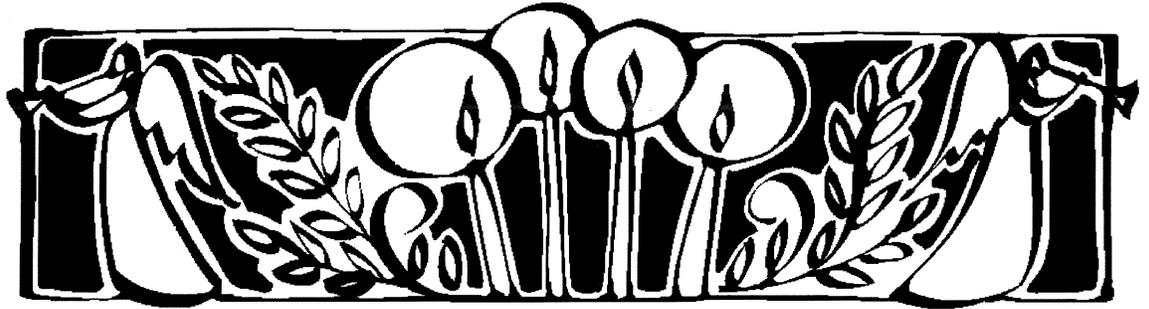


# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

*Seeking the peace and well-being of the city*

December 4, 2022 11:00 a.m.

Second  
Sunday  
in Advent



## PRELUDE

Variations on PUER NOBIS

M. Burkhardt

## GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

### ADVENT INTROIT

Prepare the Way of the Lord  
Prepare the Way, O Zion

M. Burkhardt  
BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN

## CALL TO WORSHIP

### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#154 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI EMMANUEL

Unison

Em Bm G Am G D G D Bm C G

D B C B

1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive  
 2 O come, thou Day - spring, come and cheer our spir - its by thine  
 3 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, and or - der all things,  
 4 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind all peo - ples in one

Am  $\frac{Em}{B}$  Bm Em  $\frac{Am}{C}$  Am  $\frac{Em}{G}$   $\frac{B7}{F\#}$  Em Bm C D Em

Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here, un -  
 ad - vent here; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night, and  
 far and nigh; to us the path of knowl - edge show, and  
 heart and mind; bid en - vy, strife and quar - rels cease; fill

*Refrain (Harmony)*

D Bm G  $\frac{G}{B}$   $\frac{Am}{C}$  Am  $\frac{G}{B}$  D G D Em Bm G

til the Son of God ap - pear.  
 death's dark shad - ows put to flight.  
 cause us in her ways to go. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -  
 the whole world with heav - en's peace.

$\frac{Am}{C}$  Am  $\frac{G}{B}$  D Em  $\frac{D}{F\#}$  G  $\frac{G}{B}$  C  $\frac{G}{B}$  Am  $\frac{Em}{G}$   $\frac{D}{F\#}$  Em

man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

WORDS: Latin, 9th c.; tr. John M. Neale (1818-1866); vss. 3 and 4 tr. Henry S. Coffin (1877-1954)  
 MUSIC: French melody, 15th c.; harm. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890)

VENI EMMANUEL  
 L.M.Ref.

## **\*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We confess, O God, we are like those  
that gathered at the river with John the Baptist.  
We want to believe.  
We want to be part of your coming kingdom,  
but we do not want to change.  
You have called us to repent and we dig in our heels.  
You have called us to come into the water,  
but we are afraid to stick in our toe.  
You have called us to bear fruit,  
preparing the way for your return,  
but we fail to bear forth your goodness and mercy in us.  
Forgive us.  
Help us to turn back to you.  
In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

*(Silence for personal confession and reflection)*

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

### **\*GLORIA PATRI**

R. Goodson

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and  
Ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## **ANTHEM**

Morning of Promise

J.M. Martin

# FIRST READING

Isaiah 11:1-10

Page 710, 1st half of the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

## ADVENT CANDLE-LIGHTING LITANY (The Candle of Peace)

Prepare the Way of the Lord.

**We light the candle in peace,**

the peace that Jesus, our Saviour, gives to the world!

**Prepare, then, the Way of the Lord.**

## \*CAROL OF PRAISE

#156 On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

PUER NOBIS

D Bm A D G/B D/A Gmaj7 A D G D/F# D

1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an - nounc - es  
2 Let ev - ery heart be cleansed from sin, make straight the  
3 For you are our sal - va - tion, Lord, our ref - uge  
4 To heal the sick, stretch out your hand, and make the  
5 To you, O Christ, all prais - es be, whose ad - vent

A/C# A D G/D D A/C# Bm E7/G# A D

that the Lord is nigh: a - wake and lis - ten  
way for God with - in, and so pre - pare to  
and our great re - ward; with - out your grace we  
fall - en sin - ner stand; shine out, and let your  
sets your peo - ple free; whom with the Fa - ther

G G/B D Em A/C# D A D/F# G A D

for he brings glad tidings of the King of kings.  
 be the home where such a mighty guest may come.  
 waste away like flowers that wither and decay.  
 light restore earth's own true lovelessness once more.  
 we adore and Holy Spirit evermore!

WORDS: Charles Coffin (1676-1749); tr. John Chandler (1806-1876)  
 MUSIC: Trier manuscript, 15th c.; adapt. Michael Praetorius (1571-1621);  
 harm. George R. Woodward (1848-1934)

PUER NOBIS.  
 L.M.

## CHILDREN'S BLESSING

### SECOND READING

Matthew 3:1-12

Page 3, 2nd half of the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

SERMON "Advent Wilderness"

Rev. Dr. Ryan Sato

### \*CAROL OF APPROACH

#166 Wait for the Lord (sing 3 x)

Taizé Community

Em C Am6 B

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.  
 Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

Em D G Em Am B Em

WORDS and MUSIC: Taizé Community  
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## **GATHERING AT THE TABLE**

**\*The Passing of the Peace**

**\*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,**

**Maker of heaven and earth:**

**And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the Virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, dead, and buried;**

**he descended into hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead;**

**he ascended into heaven,**

**and sits on the right hand of God the**

**Father Almighty**

**from there he shall come to judge the quick**

**and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy catholic\* Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*\*catholic means the church universal or the church for all time*

**The Bread**

**The Cup**

*All who seek God and the presence of Christ are welcome to participate*

## **CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**Offertory**

**All Earth is Hopeful**

**D. Cherwein**

**\*Offertory Response**

**So, bring Him incense, gold and myrrh,**

**Come, peasant, king to own Him;**

**The King of kings salvation brings,**

**Let loving hearts enthrone Him.**

**This, this is Christ the King,**

**whom shepherds guard and angels sing;**

**Haste, haste to bring him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary!**

# \*CAROL FOR THE JOURNEY

#158 Blessed Be the God of Israel

MERLE'S TUNE

Unison

N.C. G  $\frac{G}{B}$  C D Em Cmaj7 Am7 D

1 Blessed be the God of Is - rael, who comes to set us free,  
2 Now from the house of Da - vid a child of grace has come,  
3 On all by death im - pris - oned the sun be - gins to rise,

D G  $\frac{G}{B}$  C Dsus D C  $\frac{G}{B}$  Am7 D G

who vis - its and re - deems us, and grants us lib - er - ty.  
a Sav - ior who will lead us to our e - ter - nal home.  
the dawn - ing of for - give - ness up - on the sin - ner's eyes,

N.C. C  $\frac{Bm}{D}$   $\frac{Am}{D}$   $\frac{Gmaj7}{D}$   $\frac{G}{D}$  Am  $\frac{G}{B}$   $\frac{Am}{C}$  Dsus D

The proph - ets spoke of mer - cy, of free - dom and re - lease;  
Be - fore him goes the her - ald, fore - run - ner in the way,  
to guide the feet of pil - grims a - long the paths of peace;

D G  $\frac{G}{B}$  C Dsus D C  $\frac{G}{B}$  Am7 D G

God shall ful - fill the prom - ise to bring our peo - ple peace.  
 the proph - et of sal - va - tion, the har - bin - ger of day.  
 O bless our God and Sav - ior with songs that nev - er cease!

WORDS: Michael Perry (1942-1996)  
 MUSIC: Hal H. Hopson (1933- )  
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MERLE'S TUNE  
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### **\*THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**Leader:** May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

### **\*The Sending of the Community**

### **\*Congregational Amen**

*The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week*

### **POSTLUDE**

Toccata on VENI EMMANUEL

J. A. Behnke

### **\*Please stand, as you are able**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:

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