



SECOND SUNDAY OF

Advent

First Baptist Church

Whiteville, North Carolina

December 6, 2020

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

The Second Sunday of Advent

December 6, 2020

Morning Worship

Eleven o' clock

* Please stand as you are able.

Greeting and Invocation

Dr. Wayne Brown

Prelude

Overture
(from MESSIAH)

Mrs. Patricia Slomanski
George Frideric Handel

* Hymn of Praise, No. 77

HYFRYDOL

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus
(Please see page 4.)

The Advent Wreath

The Candle of Peace

Leader: Last Sunday we lit the first candle—the candle of hope. Today we light the second candle, the candle of peace. We light it knowing full well that peace is elusive, and in some parts of the world, it is almost completely absent. Yet in this season of Advent, we trust that God is never absent from us. God is always preparing something new. And even where there is war and discord, whether between countries, within families, or within our own hearts, God is present, gently leading us to new possibilities.

People: Loving God, in this time of preparation and planning, we thank you for the hope of peace you unfailingly offer us. Show us the creative power of hope. Teach us the peace that comes from justice. Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you, that we may walk in the light of Christ.

Leader: Take your encouragement from Christ, that your joy may be complete.

People: We will share in the Spirit. We will find consolation in love.

Leader: Practice a ministry of humility and compassion for God is at work in you, empowering you.

People: We will welcome Christ into our hearts. We will live worthy of the Gospel. We will go forth from this place in hope and in peace.

Response

Candle of Hope, Peace, Joy, Love and Christ
(Please see page 3.)

LYONS

Carol Response, No. 93

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
(Please see page 5)

CAROL

Pastoral Prayer

Dr. Brown

Worship through Song

Gentle Mary, Tender Mary

The Chancel Choir
Jay Althouse

The Old Testament Reading Isaiah 9:6-7; 40:1-5;

Dr. Brown

60:1-5; 61:1-3

Sermon

The Prophets Told Us

Dr. Brown

* Hymn of Commitment, No. 121

MARGARET

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

(Stanzas 1, 2, 4 and 5)
(Please see page 6.)

Benediction

Dr. Brown

Benediction Response

Doxology

VENI EMMANUEL

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavn'ly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

* Postlude

For Unto Us A Child
(from MESSIAH)

Mrs. Slomanski
George Frideric Handel

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The Advent Wreath Reading was adapted from:
Epworth-A United Methodist Church and [www. pcusa.org](http://www.pcusa.org).

Candle of Hope, Peace, Joy, Love & Christ



1. The can - dle of hope we light in this hour Pro - claims that the
2. The can - dle of peace shines bright with God's plan; The wolf will lie
3. The can - dle of joy re - minds us to sing, For God is at
4. The can - dle of love tells what we are worth: God loves us so
5. The Christ can - dle's light that shines for us here Tells out the good



Lord is com - ing in power. We wait for a fu - ture, now
down and dwell - with the lamb. Our guns and our weap - ons, our
work to do - a new thing. The proud will be hum - bled; the
much, God came - to the earth! An an - gel brought news of a
news that God - has come near! God came, a poor ba - by, in



hid - den from view, When Christ in his glo - ry will make - all things new.
ha - tred and war, Will give way to gar - dens that heal - and re - store.
low - ly will rise. God's king - dom is one of de - light - and sur - prise.
child who would be The one who would save us and set - us all free.
one time and place, To show all cre - a - tion the wealth - of God's grace.

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus 77

The promise which was made ... God hath fulfilled — Acts 13:32-33 KJV

1. Come, Thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, Born to set Thy
 2. Born Thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, Born a child, and

peo - ple free; From our fears and sins re - lease us;
 yet a King, Born to reign in us for - ev - er,

Let us find our rest in Thee. Is - rael's strength and con - so -
 Now Thy gra - cious king - dom bring. By Thine own e - ter - nal

la - tion, Hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear de - sire of
 spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone; By Thine all - suf -

ev - 'ry na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
 fi - cient mer - it, Raise us to Thy glo - rious throne.

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788
 MUSIC: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

HYFRYDOL
 8.7.8.7.D.

It Came upon the Midnight Clear 93

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace" — Luke 2:14 NIV

1. It came up - on the mid - night clear, That glo - rious song of old,
 2. Yet with the woes of sin and strife The world has suf - fered long,
 3. All ye, be - neath life's crush - ing load, Whose forms are bend - ing low,
 4. For lo! the days are has - t'ning on, By proph - et bards fore - told,

From an - gels bend - ing near the earth, To touch their harps of gold:
 Be - neath the an - gel strain have rolled Two thou - sand years of wrong;
 Who toil a - long the climb - ing way With pain - ful steps and slow,
 When with the ev - er - cir - cling years Comes round the age of gold;

"Peace on the earth, good will to men," From heav'n's all - gra - cious King.
 And man, at war with man, hears not The love song which they bring:
 Look now! for glad and gold - en hours Come swift - ly on the wing:
 When peace shall o - ver all the earth Its an - cient splen - dors fling,


The world in sol - emn still - ness lay, To hear the an - gels sing.
 O hush the noise, ye men of strife, And hear the an - gels sing!
 O rest be - side the wea - ry road, And hear the an - gels sing!
 And the whole world give back the song Which now the an - gels sing.

WORDS: Edmund H. Sears, 1810-1876
 MUSIC: Richard Storrs Willis, 1819-1900

CAROL
 8.6.8.6.D.(C.M.D.)

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne 121

Christ Jesus ... being in the form of God ... was made in the likeness of men — Philippians 2:5-7 KJV



1. Thou didst leave Thy throne and Thy king - ly crown, When Thou
 2. Heav - en's arch - es rang when the an - gels sang, Pro -
 3. The fox - es found rest, and the birds their nest In the
 4. Thou cam - est, O Lord, with the liv - ing word That should
 5. When the heav - ens shall ring, and the an - gels sing, At Thy



cam - est to earth for me; But in Beth - le - hem's home
 claim - ing Thy roy - al de - gree; But of low - ly birth
 shade of the for - est tree; But Thy couch was the sod,
 set Thy peo - ple free; But with mock - ing scorn,
 com - ing to vic - to - ry, Let Thy voice call me home,



was there found no room For Thy ho - ly na - tiv - i - ty.
 didst Thou come to earth, And in great hu - mil - i - ty.
 O Thou Son of God, In the des - erts of Gal - i - lee.
 and with crown of thorn, They bore Thee to Cal - va - ry.
 say - ing "Yet there is room, There is room at My side for thee."



1-4. O come to my heart, Lord Je - sus, There is room in my heart for Thee.
 5. My heart shall re - joice, Lord Je - sus, When Thou com - est and call - est for me.

WORDS: Emily E. S. Elliott, 1836-1897
 MUSIC: Timothy R. Matthews, 1826-1910

MARGARET
 Irregular

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 6

- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School with Mrs. Peggy Underwood Teaching
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
12:00 p.m. Chancel Choir and Youth Choir Christmas Rehearsal

Monday, December 7

- 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

Tuesday, December 8

- 3:15 p.m. Youth Music

Wednesday, December 9

- 4:30 p.m. Chancel Choir & Youth Christmas Rehearsal
5:30 p.m. Drive-through meal. Sponsored by the Senter's Cooking Group.

Looking Ahead

Sunday, December 13

- 11:00 a.m. Christmas Program Presented by the Chancel Choir and Youth - "How Far Is It To Bethlehem?"

Monday, December 14

- 10:00 a.m. WMU Meeting
1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

Tuesday, December 15

- 7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, December 16

- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Sunday, December 20

- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School with Rev. Wallyce Todd Teaching

Monday, December 21

- 9:30 a.m. Finance Meeting

Thursday, December 24

- 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion

Thursday & Friday, December 24 & 25

Office closed for Christmas Eve and Christmas

Thursday, December 31

- 4:00 - New Year's Eve Drop-in Open Communion
8:00 p.m.

Friday, January 1

Office Closed for New Year's

Deacons of the Week

12/06 Chris Blackmon / John Sauls
12/13 Coburn Powell / Brad Johnson
12/20 Ron Walters / Haywood Corbett
12/27 Lauren Cole / Donna Prince



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