

NOVEMBER 27, 2016

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – HOPE

10:45 AM

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Jason W. Crosby

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Please take a moment to complete the section at the top of the insert, fold and tear it off at the perforation and put it in the offering plate. Or, you may share contact info or comments with us by sending a text message to 502-295-0285.

ENTRANCE INTO WORSHIP

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

PRELUDE

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

PICARDY, arr. Louie Bailey

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.
At his feet the six-winged seraph, cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry,
“Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord most high!”

Liturgy of St. James, 4th century, adapted by Gerard Moultrie, 1864

INVOCATION

If spoken in a language that is unfamiliar to you, worshippers are invited to silently pray for God’s presence to be felt in hearts and minds through our worship.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 133

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI EMMANUEL

Stanza 1: All

Stanza 2: Women and Girls

Stanza 3: All

Stanza 4: Men and Boys

Stanza 5: All

LIGHTING THE FIRST CANDLE OF ADVENT – HOPE

The birth of Christ brought forth into the darkness of this world a great light.

Thanks be to God.

In Christ’s birth, life, death, and resurrection, we find our greatest hope.

Thanks be to God.

Our Savior, however, promised to come again to fully redeem humanity and creation.

Thanks be to God.

This Advent season may we celebrate gifts already found in Christ and faithfully anticipate God’s gifts yet to come.

May we prepare the way.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 13:11-14

Allison Hammons

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHORAL CELEBRATION

Every Valley

John Ness Beck

Chancel Choir; June Bailey, conductor; Louie Bailey, piano

Ev’ry valley shall be exalted, and ev’ry mountain made low;
And the crooked made straight, and the rough places plain.
And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together,
For the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. Amen. Isaiah 40:4, 5

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Andrea V. Woolley

*HYMN OF ADVENT 134

The King of Glory Comes

PROMISED ONE

WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY

THE ENDURING LIGHT OF HOPE

Jason W. Crosby

SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Brittani M. Bair

THE 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 forever. Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING

I Wonder As I Wander
Beth Wade, soprano; Louie Bailey, piano

Appalachian Carol, arr. John Jacob Niles

*DOXOLOGY

O Source of Hope, the Giver and the Gift

VENI EMMANUEL

O Source of Hope, the Giver and the Gift,
With glad and gen'rous hearts we now uplift
Our voices in eternal praise, for all your gifts that crown our days.
O Lord, our God, our hearts to thee are bound
To share your hope with people all around. Amen.

Louie Bailey, Advent 2012

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND COMMUNITY

We gladly welcome all who desire to unite with the community of faith at Crescent Hill Baptist Church to come forward during the Hymn of Response and share that decision with the minister.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 539

I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light

HOUSTON

*BENEDICTION

Jason W. Crosby

SILENCE

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on VENI EMMANUEL

Louie Bailey

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- We invite those who wish to be baptized or join the church to share that decision with the church near the conclusion of worship. However, if you are uncomfortable doing that but would like to explore baptism or church membership, the ministers would be glad to discuss those decisions with you following worship.