

**COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of**

**Lac du Flambeau, WI**

**Services at 10:00 AM**

***“An all-inclusive congregation of Jesus’ disciples”***

**December 7, 2025**

**2nd Sunday of Advent**

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

Welcome and Announcements

God welcomes you in the name of Jesus through the passion and purpose of the Holy Spirit to this worship service at Community Presbyterian Church.

Prelude: “O Come, O come Emmanuel.”

**GATHERING**

\*Introit “Surely the Presence of the Lord”

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;**

**I can feel his mighty power and his grace.**

**I can hear the brush of angel’s wings**

**I see glory on each face;**

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**(from Psalm 72 Prayer for Guidance and Support for the King Of Solomon.**

<sup>1</sup> Give the king your justice, O God,  
and your righteousness to a king’s son.

<sup>2</sup> **May he judge your people with righteousness  
and your poor with justice.**

<sup>3</sup> May the mountains yield prosperity for the people,  
and the hills, in righteousness.

<sup>4</sup> **May he defend the cause of the poor of the people,  
give deliverance to the needy,  
and crush the oppressor.**

<sup>18</sup> Blessed be the YAHWEH, the God of Israel,  
who alone does wondrous things.

<sup>19</sup> **Blessed be God’s glorious name forever;  
may the glory of God fill the whole earth.**

Let us worship God.

**Hymn # 88 “O Come, O Come Emmanuel.”**

**Lighting of the second Advent Candle for Peace**

**Scripture Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5**

**Invitation to Confession:**

The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Let us confess our sin before God and our neighbor. (Ps. 34:18).

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O God, you judge your people with righteousness: we judge our neighbors either right or wrong. Your Servant defended the cause of the poor; it is because of our greed that many still want. You bring deliverance to the needy, but too often we stand in the way of its being received. You sent us a Savior who will crush the oppressor, but too often we raise up idols in his stead. Make us mindful of your dominion, how you rule while sun and moon endure. May we bow down before you and pay you the tribute that you are due.

(Please pause for a moment of silent prayer).

**God, forgive us for the casual way we treat your gift of love. Amen.**

***Words of Assurance***

**L:** This statement is true: Christ Jesus came into the world to rescue sinners. He personally bore our sins in his body on the cross so that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. Friends, hear and believe the good news.

**ALL: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. AMEN**

**\*Sharing the Peace of Christ**

**May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.**

**And also, with you.**

**\*Gloria Patri**

**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. Amen.**

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Scripture Reading: **Matthew 3: 1-12 (The Message)**

Response: God’s Word for those who have ears to hear!

**Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: **“Hope and Challenge: GettingReady.”**

**Hymn # 82 “Come Thou Long Expected Jesus.”**

**Holy Communion**

**The Invitation:** *Everyone is welcome at the table. You do not have to be a member here or anywhere to receive the bread and the cup. People of all ages and stages of their faith journey are welcome to come and receive the grace God provides through the bread and the cup.*

***Prayers of the people (prayer cards); The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving  
and the Lord's Prayer***

**Our 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,

for Thine is the kingdom and the power

and the glory forever.

Amen.

**Words of Institution**

**Distribution of the Elements (by Intinction) Prayer after communion**

**Offering of our gifts**

**Offertory**      **"As With Gladness Men of Old."**

**\*Doxology**

**\*Hymn # 519**      **"You Are My Strength When I Am Weak."**

**\*Charge and Benediction:**

**\*Congregational Response:**

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**Pastor: Rev. Ken Ribe**

**Liturgist: Bill Nienaber**

**Pianist: Rebecca Wright**

**Coffee Hour: Deb and Ron Wilke**

**We welcome Rev. Ken Ribe to our church once again and are extremely grateful for his taking the time to help us out and fill our Pulpit Supply needs.**

**We have Breakfast group at "The Holiday Café" on Wednesday mornings at 8:30 AM.**