

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 21, 2025

Welcome; Prayer; Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Patty Family

Prelude

"Once in Royal David's City"

Janice Mitchell

Bringing Forth the Light

Acolytes

† Call to Worship

Rev. Billy Price

Leader: God of darkness, God of light, God of stars and angels,

People: God of weary travelers and stables, God of new birth,

Leader: Open our eyes to your glory and wisdom.

People: Open our hearts to your vast, expansive love.

Leader: Raise our voices in joyful song for the birth of a Savior.

People: Give thanks with all our hearts.

† Hymn of Praise

"O Come, All Ye Faithful" (Stanzas 1,3,4)

No. 173

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!

Come and behold him, born the King of angels; O come, let us adore him,

O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation! O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above:

"Glory to God, all glory in the highest"; O come, let us adore him,

O come let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning, Jesus, to thee be all glory given;

Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing; O come, let us adore him,

O come let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Special Music

"When Will the Little King Come"

Sanctuary Choir

Call to Confession

(John 3:19)

"Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light."

Prayer of Confession

(In Unison)

Lord God, we confess that we live as though the light had never defeated darkness. We

confess that we ignore the Savior you sent to live in us and work through us. Forgive us

for not opening our eyes to Jesus. Forgive us for not putting our full trust in his

commands. Prepare us for his arrival. Help us rejoice in the light so that your grace can

illuminate the dull, darkened places of our hearts.

(Silent Prayers)

Assurance of Pardon		(John 8:12)
"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."		
Hymn of Assurance	<i>"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"</i>	No. 135
Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee. Israel’s strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; dear Desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart. Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a king, Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone; By thine all sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.		
Moments with the Children	Deidre Randles	
Offertory Sentence; Prayer	Rev. Billy Price	
† Doxology; Offering	No. 809	
Special Music	<i>"The King is Coming Soon"</i>	Sanctuary Choir
Prayers of the People; Lord’s Prayer	Rev. Billy Price	
Scripture Readings	Matt. 22:34-40; 1 Cor. 13:1-8a; 1 John 4:7-9	
Sermon	<i>"Cataracts, Contacts, & the Law of Love"</i>	Rev. Billy Price
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
† Hymn of Consecration	<i>"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"</i> (Stanzas 1,2,4)	No. 558
Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast; let us all in thee inherit, let us find the promised rest. Take away the love of sinning, Alpha and Omega be; end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty. Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee: changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.		
† Benediction		

- † Taking the Light into the World
- † Closing Hymn

“O Come, Let Us Adore Him” (First Stanza)

No. 126

O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him, Chris the Lord.
- † Postlude

“Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”

Janice Mitchell
- † Congregation please stand.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

The Christmas Eve Service is on Wednesday, December 24th at 7:30 pm in the sanctuary. This will be an inspirational time to worship together, share in the sights and sounds of Christmas, and conclude with candlelight communion.

POST OFFICE

The youth have the Christmas Post Office set up in the hall outside the sanctuary.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2026

Please sign up to put flowers on the altar in 2026 in memory of a loved one or to honor someone in your life. The signup sheet is on the media table outside the sanctuary.

SOUND AND VIDEO HELP IS NEEDED!

We are in need of two people to be subs. One is needed for sound and one for video. If you are 18 or older, and interested in serving the church in this way, please contact Chris Cagle at 865-216-6654.

CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The church offices will be closed **December 23-26 and January 1-2**. If you have any items you would like included in the OUTLOOK, please send the information to Joanne at bccpc@yahoo.com. Please note: **There will NO OUTLOOK the week of December 22nd**.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

The 2026 offering envelopes are available in the hall outside the sanctuary.

ANNUAL GIVING STATEMENTS

Annual giving statements will be provided only as requested. If you would like an annual statement, please either call the church office and leave your name or sign up on the list provided on the table outside the sanctuary.

FOOD TRUCK MINISTRY

The food truck will be back on Tuesday, January 6, 2026, at 5:00 pm.

We are glad you have joined us in worship today. Welcome cards are in the back of your pew. Your completed card can be placed in the offering plate.



Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.
- from Isaiah 2:5

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