SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY ORDER OF WORSHIP

Please turn off all cellphones for technical reasons

December 7, 2025

11:00 a.m.

As we prepare for Worship, let us enter into a state of reverence before our Lord.

RINGING OF THE BELL
WELCOME AND GREETINGS
ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH Raynelle Ankney

*INTROIT #88 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel vs. 1

*CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: Get ready, people of God! The time of hope and peace is at hand.
- P: We are called to action rather than reaction.
- L: Open your hearts to God's word and God's will.
- P: Help us to be workers for God rather than observers.
- L: Come, draw near to God in faith.
- P: Let us prepare our hearts to receive the wondrous gifts of God. AMEN.

*HYMN #88 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel vs. 2-4

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Lord of mercy and peace, open our hearts to receive your words of hope. We live far too much in darkness and fear. We have let the fears invade the very center of our lives and find ourselves changing, moving from your light to the darkness of despair. It seems that this world and its people are more pleased to fight and destroy than they are to have peace and harmony. Forgive us, patient and merciful God. Give us courage and strength to change our lives, that your peace may become a reality in this world, right now, this day. For we offer this prayer in the name of Jesus. AMEN. (Silent Confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI #581

CHILDREN'S TIME FOR DISCOVERY

OFFERTORY, TITHES & OFFERINGS *DOXOLOGY #606 *PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #749 Come! Live in the Light!

*APOSTLES CREED

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PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURES

Isaiah 11:1-10

Matthew 3:1-12

This is the word of God for the people of God, Thanks be to God.

SERMON "First John, then Jesus" Burr Datz

*HYMN #547 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE #623 I've Got Peace Like a River vs. 1

^{*}stand as you are able

All who enter are welcome in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>CPC 2025 CHRISTMAS PAGEANT</u>: Mark your calendars! On December 21st during the worship hour, our children and youth will be presenting this year's Christmas play, "Joy to the World". We hope to see you there. A time of fellowship will follow the program.

On December 14th, participants in the play are asked to stay after church for a brief practice of the play songs. Thank you!

Christmas play practice and dress rehearsal will be December 20th at 11 in CPC's Sanctuary. Pizza will be provided for lunch. Thank you!

<u>UPDATED CPC DIRECTORY</u>: The updated directories are available now. A few have been printed and placed at the doors. One per family please. If you wish to have an email copy sent to you, please email <u>cpcsecretary5918@gmail.com</u>. Please note this disclaimer if the list is emailed to you: Disclaimer: Please do not share any personal information in this document with others, as this communication is confidential and intended solely for the recipient.

Announcements, prayer requests, etc. should be sent to Jennifer Kelly at cpcsecretary5918@gmail.com

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