

Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to this Sacred Time and Holy Place of Worship.

Quote for Meditation: *“Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers;”*
- Romans 13:11

GREETING and PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Chris Scrivens

PRELUDE

“Above All”

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH:

Based upon Psalms 96, 80, & 97

One: We light this candle as a sign of the coming light of Christ.
Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;

All: *let all creation sing for joy at the coming of the Lord.*

One: The Lord of hosts is coming to restore us; God’s face will shine, and we will be saved.
Light dawns for the righteous, and joy to the upright in heart.

All: *Rejoice in the Lord! Give thanks to God’s holy name.*

Sung response:

“While We Are Waiting”

Cantor Matt Petrozelli

*“While we are waiting, come; while we are waiting, come.
Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting, come.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Eternal God,
through long generations you prepared a way
for the coming of your Son,
and by your Spirit
you still bring light to illumine our paths.

**All: *Renew us in faith and hope
that we may welcome Christ to rule our thoughts
and claim our love,
as Lord of lords and King of kings,
to whom be glory always. Amen.***

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence” ~ first verse

Cantor Matt Petrozelli

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

*Heavenly Father,
you have loved us with an everlasting love,
but we have gone our own way
and broken your laws.
We are sorry for our sins
and turn away from them.
For the sake of your Son who died for us,
forgive us, cleanse us and change us.
By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you,
and to please you more and more;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sung response:

Cantor Matt Petrozelli

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Prophets: Isaiah 64:1-9
Gospel: Matthew 13:24-37

Response:

One: This is the Word of God.
All: *Thanks be to God!*

SERMON: "Ignore Your Watch"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

MUSICAL INTERLUDE: "Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending"

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PASTORAL PRAYER and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.*

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Just As I Am"

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Participating in today's Worship and Fellowship are . . .

Pastor:	Rev. Christopher W. Scrivens
Director of Family Ministries:	Deacon Melissa Ash
Music Director:	Matt Petrozelli
Organist:	Mary Elizabeth Rawley

Scripture readings for next Sunday, December 6: Isaiah 40:1-11 *and Psalm 85:1-2,8-13*;
2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8



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