

ADVENT WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Eleven O'Clock

November 30, 2025

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Elder Jimmy Lyle

God Calls Us to Praise Him

Isaiah 11:1-4b

Elder: There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of
Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.

People: And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him,

Elder: The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit
of counsel and might,

People: the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

Elder: And his delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

**People: He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide
disputes by what his ears hear,**

Elder: But with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and
decide with equity for the meek of the earth.

All: Let us hold fast to this promise of hope.

Hymn of Hope

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

No. 194

God Calls Us to Confess Our Sin (in unison)

Father, in a world that is ever changing and in a world that
more and more rejects the truth of your word, we thank you
that you are the unchanging God, that you know the end from
the beginning, and that you hold the universe in the palm of
your hand. Grant us a steady trust in the hope that is set before
us, knowing that by grace we have received your gift of eternal
life through faith in your Son Jesus. Foster in us an unwavering
hope in your promises, knowing that despite the sin and evil
around us, our Lord Jesus Christ has won the victory over sin
and death. Forgive us for our sins and restore our hope as we
seek to be faithful to our Lord and long for his presence.

My Private Confession of Sin

God Calls Us to Give to His Kingdom Work

The Offertory

Karin Lyle

Doxology*

[Old Hundredth]

No. 731

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Advent Readers

"Home is Where the Heart Is"

Selected

Ross, Karin, Ed & Connie

The Lighting of the Candle of Hope

Luke 1:70-72

As he said through his holy prophets of long ago,
salvation from our enemies
and from the hand of all who hate us—
to show mercy to our fathers
and to remember his holy covenant.

Our Response

O Come, All Ye Faithful

No. 208

God Calls Us to Pray to Him concluding with the Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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.

God Calls Us to Receive His Word

Luke 2:25-35

The Sermon

"The Good News of the Carols"

Pastor Ed Olson

1. Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Hymn of Praise*

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

No. 164

Benediction*

Postlude*

*Congregation standing

Remember in Prayers:

Ed and Connie Olson: Continued travel mercies for them, and for healing in this time of mourning. Praises for Mark's graduation into glory!

Joe and Jayna Johnson (and Daughters, Verity and Eve): As Joe continues his examination process by Highlands Presbytery, and prepares for relocation to our state and county.

Missionaries of the Week:

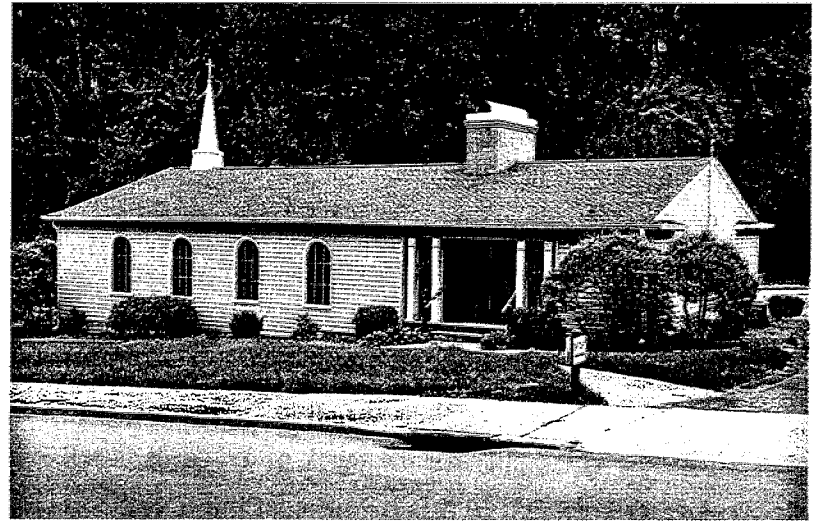
Donnie and Kara Williams: Senegal, West Africa. MTW.

Today is the First Sunday of Advent. We begin the Advent season in which we recall the coming of the Messiah, our Lord Jesus Christ. This morning, we light the candle of "hope" as we remember the prophets of old who longed for the day of His appearing.

Upcoming Events of Note:

Christmas Eve Service, Wednesday, December 24. (Time to be announced.)

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