

Sharing of the Elements (Please hold the elements until all have been served and we will commune together)

Unison Prayer

Thank you, O Christ, for this feast of life. We are fed by your love; we are strengthened by your life. We are sent into this world to live your way and share your joy. We are now commissioned to: feed as we have been fed, forgive as we have been forgiven, love as we have been loved. Thanks be to God. Amen.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*Hymn 88 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Benediction Hymn 92 (verse 1)

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

*Postlude

Becky Cooper



WOODSTOCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2019 - 11:00 AM
1ST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

*“I was glad when they said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the Lord!’” Psalm 122:1*

Welcome to all who gather to worship today! We hope you feel warmly welcomed and even “at home,” for all are welcome in God’s house! If you are a guest today, we are honored by your presence with us and hope to see you again! Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register located in the pew. Everyone is invited to stay for our fellowship hour following worship!

WPC Vision & Mission Statement

Growing and Building in the Love of Christ
Ephesians 4:16

We ENVISION a church that:

- † Is kind, generous, hospitable and welcoming.
- † Involves everyone in local and global mission.
- † Treats everyone as a Child of God.
- † Shares our time, talents, and treasure.

Our MISSION is to grow and build in:

- † Faith through worship, prayer, and Bible study.
- † Fellowship with one another and with guests.
- † Hospitality shown to our community and world.
- † Facilities that are exceptional and accessible.

* Congregation is invited to stand.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Becky Cooper

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn 82 *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Advent Wreath Lighting (insert)

First Lesson Isaiah 2:1-5

Second Lesson Matthew 24:36-44

Sermon

Hope

Rev. Joan Wilson

*Prayer of Response and Repentance

Unslumbering God, at an unexpected hour you sent an unlikely liberator to an undeserving world. Keep us faithful in unguarded moments and alert in uncertain times, so that we may seek your unmeasured mercy, serve you with undivided hearts, live together in unbroken community, and greet you with unending praise; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our undying Life, in whom we know your unfailing justice, unfathomable grace, and unlimited love. Amen



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Malinda Johnston
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***Affirmation of Faith** pg. 34 The Nicene Creed

***Gloria Patri (words at right)**

***Hymn 352** *My Lord! What a Morning*

Offering

Offertory

Becky Cooper

***Doxology (words at right)**

We give you thanks and praise, O God, that you have built us up in faith and bound us together in love. By your grace, may all that we do show the glory of your name and serve the good of your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayers of Intercession & Lord's Prayer

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem.

We pray for peace in every nation that people will turn their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks and study war no more.

Pray for the peace of the church.

We pray for peace in Christ's body. Put an end to fear and fighting, and help us to proclaim in word and action the good news of salvation to all.

Pray for the peace of this community.

We pray for peace in this place, for safety in our homes and streets, for the prosperity of our neighbors, and for the health of family and friends.

God of the future, make us ready for the coming of your reign, when you will bring everlasting peace and renew the face of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Now let us join together in the prayer Jesus taught us...

The Lord's Prayer

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 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.

Doxology

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.

Children's Moment

We believe that children learn of worship, and so of the love of God and community, by being in worship. Children in the nursery ages 2 and above will be invited to sit with their families for the remainder of worship.

The Lord's Supper

The Lord be with you.

And with your Spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right and a good and joyful thing always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God....we praise you and join in the never-ending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you and blessed is Jesus Christ your Son, for he is Immanuel, God with us... Therefore in remembrance of all your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we give ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a living sacrifice in union with Christ's offering for the world as we declare:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, gathered here out of love for you, and on these gifts of bread and wine... Through your son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all glory and honor is yours, almighty God, now and forever. *Amen.*