



Prelude

Now Come

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport

Advent Introit #90

Wait for the Lord

Lighting of the *Fourth Advent Candle* – Emilie, Dottie, Cornelia Rubin and Laura Vassamillet

Prophets Foretell The Birth of Christ

Hymn #143 (Congregation Sings, verse 1-4)

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Gabriel Visits Mary

Hymn of Confession #144 (Congregation Sings, verse 1-4)

In the Bleak Midwinter

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Feasting on the Word

Gracious God, we are thirsty for your grace. You made a way for us in the wilderness, and still, in our foolishness, we go astray. We hide our eyes from your presence. We do not listen to your word. We are lifeless when we ought to dance and speechless when we ought to sing. Forgive us, O Lord. Speak peace to our fearful hearts, strengthen our weak hands, and make firm our feeble knees as we seek to follow in your holy way. In Jesus we pray, Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

One: Friends, this is the good news of the gospel.

Many: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

Response hymn 132 (Congregation Sings, verse 3)

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

Announcements

Rev. Emily I. Miller

Adult's Time

The Word – The Birth of Jesus

Joseph & Mary Travel to Bethlehem

Hymn of Response #121 (Congregation Sings, verse 1)

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Jesus Is Born!

Song of Response (Children Only)

Away in a Manger

An Angel Appears

Song of Response hymn #119 (Children Only, verse 1 – Congregation Sings, verse 2)

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

The Shepherds Rejoice

Hymn of Response #134 (Congregation Sings, 1-4)

Joy to the World

(We will receive the 4th Sunday Hunger Offering during the singing of this hymn. The offering is meant to be sacrificial, above our regular giving. Please come forward as clergy place a basket before the Communion table and place your gift. All proceeds will go to **Sewickley Community Center Food Pantry**.)

Wise Men Bring Gifts

Hymn of Response #151 (Children Sing, verse 1 – Congregation Sings, verse 5)

We Three Kings

Offering & Offertory

The Shepherds at the Manger

Doxology

Doxology/What Child Is This

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.

This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing;

Haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the song of Mary!

All Is Calm

Song of Response (Children Only)

Silent Night

Prayers of the People 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.

Hymn #133 (Congregation Sings, verse 1-3)

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Charge & Prayer

Postlude

Postlude in F

CONGRAGATIONAL MEETING

- Nominations
- Instructions
- Prayer
- Benediction

Worship Participants

Sr. Pastor: Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport
Assoc. Pastor: Rev. Emily I. Miller
Assoc. Pastor: Rev. G. Michael Creamer
Speaker(s): Emilie, Dottie, Cornelia Rubin and
Laura Vassamillet
Choir Director/Organist: Dr. Michael Hammer
Soloists:
Ray Blackwell, baritone,
Xiuru Liu, contralto
Anna Singer, soprano,
Paul Yeater, tenor
Chancel Choir
Youth Pageant Participants
Ushers: Terry Smith, Laurie Holding
Tech Crew: Dave Breit, Rici Brockinson,
Lexie Merritt

Credits

Now Come, M. Marteau
Angels from the Realms of Glory, (#143)
In the Bleak Midwinter, (#149)
Good Christian Friends, Rejoice, (#132)
O Little Town of Bethlehem, (#121)
Away in a Manger,
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, (#119)
Joy to the World, (#134)
We Three Kings, (#151)
The Shepherds at the Manger, Franz Liszt
Doxology
Silent Night,
O Come, All Ye Faithful, (#133)
Postlude in F, Smith

Today's Flowers: Christmas Memorial.

IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME HERE?

Thank you for visiting our church this morning. We'd love to reach out to you. Let us know you were here by putting your name and contact information in one of the pew pads. We welcome you to visit our website to learn more about ways you can take part in groups, classes, and events. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact Sharon Barber (sbarber@sewickleypresby.org/412.741.4550).



LOOKING AHEAD

- December 22: Christmas Pageant
Congregational Meeting**
- December 24: Christmas Eve Worship**
- December 29: One Worship Service at 10 AM**
- December 30: End of Year Giving due to Laura Mikus**

Visit our website for complete details on events and groups that meet during the week: sewickleypresby.org

PRAYER NEEDS

PRAYERS FOR COMFORT

- For Fred and Terry Rose on the death of their grandson, Wyatt Edwin Bartley.

PRAYERS FOR PRESENCE AND HEALING

- Pete Eberhart (Father of Elizabeth Szuba)
- Beverly Harris
- Jim Morrisey
- Sheldon Thomas (Deacon food basket recipient)

A full list of Prayer Needs can be found in the Robinson Room and at the door of the Sanctuary

Church Office Hours: Monday – Friday | 9 AM - 5 PM
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