

Choral Prelude
Advent Lullaby

Chancel Choir
John Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Lia Scholl

Hymn of Praise

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

*O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here,
until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

VENI EMMANUEL

Godly Play

The Prophets

Lighting the Advent Candle

The poet, Emily Dickinson, wrote:

“Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul.”

The Psalmist declared:

“I put my hope in you all day long.”

Hope is more than wishful thinking. Hope is the Spirit of God dwelling within us, reminding us we are never alone. Hope is our active commitment to be God’s faithful people, whether we walk an easy path or face fiery trials.

When we light the candle of Hope, we embrace God’s presence among us, yesterday and today and always.

Whatever we face in life, we will put our hope in God.

Passing the Peace of Christ

*Come, O long-expected Jesus,
born to set your people free.
From our fears and sins release us;
Christ, in whom our rest shall be.
You, our strength and consolation,
come salvation to impart;
dear desire of many a nation,
joy of many a longing heart.*

HYFRYDOL

First Lesson from the Hebrew Bible

Jeremiah 29:11

1. This thread I weave, this step I dance, tins
 2. this pot I shape, this fire I light, this
 3. this check I write, this march I join, this

G Em7 D Bm

stone I carve, this ball I bounce, this nail I drive, this
 fence I leap, this bone I knit, this seed I nurse, this
 faith I state, this truth I sign, this is small part, in

F#m G7 Em7 G D

pearl I string, this flag I wave, this note I sing,
 rift I mend, this child I raise, this earth I tend,
 one small place, of one heart's beat for one great Peace.

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Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

O Come Emmanuel

Mark Hay

* **Offertory Response**

Prepare the Royal Highway

BEREDEN VAG FOR HERRA

*God's is no earthly kingdom; it comes from heaven above
God's rule is peace and freedom, and justice, truth and love;
So let your praise be sounding for kindness so abounding
Hosanna to the Lord, for Christ fulfills God's Word.*

* **Offertory Prayer**

Erica Saunde

Second Lesson from the Hebrew Bible

Jeremiah 33:14-1

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Night of Silence

Tom Kant

Sermon

Hone

Lia Sch

ack of justice or of mercy, let us resist and disrupt together.

Today is the first Sunday of December, and we will receive our monthly hunger offering. Any loose cash and designated checks will go to an organization which fights hunger locally.

Next Sunday we will receive our **Beans! Beans! Offering** which is given to the Jew Communion Mobile Food Pantry to serves Winston-Salem neighborhoods in need.

Don't forget that your gifts for The Parenting Path (formerly SCAN) family are due next Sunday. Bring the gift (unwrapped) with the attached gift tag. If you've given a cash gift, we'll do the shopping for you!

Wednesday evening, December 5, we'll share a **Blue Christmas service.** This service recognizes the many losses we feel so acutely during the holiday season. Join us at 6:00pm in Davis Chapel for a time of reflection and togetherness.

Thursday, December 6, at 3:00 pm, Kim and Stan Christman invite you to hear **Christmas music concert in the Amos Room** at Salemtowne Health Care.

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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Sunday, December 2 First Sunday of Advent

11:00 Worship, Davis Chapel
12:00 Reception

Wednesday, December 5

6:00 Blue Christmas Service, Davis Chapel

Saturday, December 8

2:00 A Celebration of the Life and Love
of Donnis and Ghazi Sakran, Wait Chapel

Sunday, December 9 Second Sunday of Advent

9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship and Beans!Beans! Offering, Davis Chapel
12:00 Reception
12:30 Congregational Care Council, Balcony Room

Sunday, December 16 Third Sunday of Advent

9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship, Davis Chapel
12:00 Reception
12:30 Congregational Care Council, Balcony Room

Creating your ornament set doesn't require many supplies. Feel free to get creative when you color/decorate your ornaments.

Supplies needed:

- The printout of the ornament pieces that you will be coloring—we recommend printing them out onto thick card stock paper if you can.
- A pair of scissors
- Tape and a glue stick
- Coloring pencils/crayons/markers
- Baker's twine/string/thread

Steps:

1. We recommend having your child/children color and decorate the ornament pieces first. If you have more than one child, you may want to print out a set for each child to make their own ornament set.
2. Once the ornament pieces have been colored and decorated, cut along the dotted line around each of the ornament pieces.
3. Fold each piece down the middle.
4. Use small rolls of tape or glue to adhere the inside halves of two of the ornament pieces, making sure they match evenly.
5. With the string, create a long loop, then glue or tape the bottom parts of the string into the center of the two pieces. Knot the loop at the top of the ornament.
6. Glue or tape the third ornament piece to the inside of the other blank half.

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