

Order of Worship - Week of December 1st, 2019

Call to Worship and Invocation

Pastor Phil will lead congregation in a call to worship from Luke 1

Leader:

My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant.

People:

**For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
for he who is mighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.**

**And his mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.**

Leader:

He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts;
he has brought down the mighty from their thrones
and exalted those of humble estate;
he has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.

People:

**He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
as he spoke to our fathers,
to Abraham and to his offspring forever.**

Songs of response:

- 1. O Come O Come Emmanuel**
- 2. Come Thou Long Expected Jesus**

Confession of Sin

Responsive confession from Psalm 32

Leader:

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.
Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

People:

**For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.
For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.
I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not cover my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Leader:

Therefore let everyone who is godly
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;
surely in the rush of great waters,
they shall not reach him.

People:

**You are a hiding place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

Assurance of Pardon

Lucas reads from Psalm 32:10-11 to assure forgiveness

Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.
Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

Songs of response:

- 1. O Holy Night**
- 2. In Christ Alone**

Advent Scripture Reading

A scripture is read about the first candle of Advent

Choir Anthem

The choir sings the Christmas Noels during the offertory

Preaching of God's Word

Pastor Mark preaches from Genesis 3:1-24