2nd Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2019

11:00 a.m.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Those who are able are encouraged to stand.

PRELUDE

1st Presbyterian Wind Ensemble, Bob Chapelle, George Hameline, Cheryl Kopplin, Cameron Carlson

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP From Isaiah 11

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

*HYMN #31 "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE - PEACE

The Cupp Family

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the Heavens, we are an incredulous people. We will not believe the good things that we hear about you. We will not believe your great and marvelous work in our lives. If we did, we would have to humble ourselves and turn from our conceited fears. God of the Manger, we are an incredulous people. We cannot accept the great things that we have been told. We ask for proof. We demand signs. Even at the manger, even at the cross, we ignore your words of love to us and proceed as if you were a god of the heavy load rather than the easy burden. God of Mercy forgive our blindness. Soften our wills that we might submit to your great love. Heal our minds of distrust and let us live together in your light.

(A time for silent and personal prayer...)

DECLARATION OF PARDON

The path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day.

Let us walk in the light of Christ.

And share the light of forgiveness with each other.

So be it! Amen.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #579 "Gloria Patri"

ANTHEM

A TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONPsalm 85:1-2, 8-13OT Pg 543NEW TESTAMENT LESSONLuke 1:5-25NT Pg 56

SERMON "Zechariah: From Incredulous to Submissive" Pastor Robbie Carnes

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #326 "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Westminster Confession Chapter 8

The Son of God, the second Person in the Trinity, being very and eternal God, of one substance, and equal with the Father, did, when the fullness of time was come, take upon him man's nature, with all the essential properties and common infirmities thereof; yet without sin: being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the Virgin Mary, of her substance. So that two whole, perfect, and distinct natures, the Godhead and the manhood, were inseparably joined together in one person, without conversion, composition, or confusion. Which person is very God and very man, yet one Christ, the only Mediator between God and man.

OFFERING Prayer Request Cards can be placed in the collection plate at this time

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY *HYMN #23 "Angels Have We Heard on High verse 2" Shepherds, why this Jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong? What the gladsome tidings be Which inspire your heavenly song? Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE THE LORD'S PRAYER

BEARING THE WORD OUT INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #29

"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*POSTLUDE

Preaching: Pastor Robbie Carnes **Acolytes:** Mason & Bella Skaff

Ushers: Team #4
Banker: Ken Wensel

Coffee Hour: Yellow Team

Counters: Martha Smith & Sarah Wrage

Nursery & Preschool: Heidi Howieson & Lindsey MacLean

Gospel Project: K-2nd: Sherry Rourke & Deb Bard

3rd-5th: Janet Stork & Lorraine Eshleman

