

Becoming the Beloved Community

Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathering of the People - Worshipping safely at home

November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent

Gathering in God's Name

Greeting/Welcome/Announcements

Prelude: "What Child is This?"

Arr. John W. Schaum

Pat & George Radosavljevic, Piano

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Opening Hymn "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

CH# 245

Time of Spiritual Centering: Confession and Forgiveness

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the future,

you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule.

We confess that we have not expected your kingdom,

for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment.

Too often we accept lies as truth

and refuse your justice and peace.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Grant us wisdom to welcome your way

and to seek things that will endure.

We ask it in the name of Jesus, our Savior,

for whom we wait and watch. Amen

Words of Forgiveness

Lighting of the Candle of Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Word Proclaimed

SCRIPTURE LESSON- Mark 13:1-8, 32-37

SERMON "We Knew You Would Come!"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Thanksgiving

TIME FOR GENEROSITY

Offertory "My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout" GTG # 100
Leo Radosavljevic, Bass-Baritone

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, we ask your blessing on all we offer you—ourselves, our time, and our possessions— that through us your grace and love may be shared with others, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Sending

Closing Hymn "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" GTG # 82

Charge and Benediction

Postlude "He is Born!" Setting by John Carter
Pat & George Radosavljevic, piano

Going Forth / Staying Home and Staying Safe

Assisting us in Worship: Bridge Pastor William J. Ingersoll; Elizabeth Brown, Gene Thiele, Leo Radosavljevic, Bass-Baritone; George Radosavljevic, Piano and Pat Radosavljevic, Music Director