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Submit articles or event information for announcements by Tuesday at 4:00pm to editor@seattlefirstbaptist.org. Articles for the monthly newsletter, the Spire, by the 20th of the month.

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4th Sunday of Advent



Sunday, December 19, 2021

11:00 a.m.

In the Sanctuary

Please respect those gathering in prayer before worship.

Welcome to Worship! We are glad you are here.

Thank you for wearing your mask over your nose and mouth for the entirety of worship.

Children are a treasured part of this community! Please find a Worship Adventure Packet or a Busy Box at the tables in the foyers. Children are free to use these resources during the worship service as they sit in the pews or in the Wiggle Room.

For families who prefer to worship together in a more informal setting, the service may be seen and heard in the Wiggle Room (aka Brawley Room) adjacent to the sanctuary. Arts, crafts, books and other materials are also available there to engage younger children.

Please take a moment to turn your cell phone ringer off. Thank you!

Prelude Noel in G - Daquin Margie Paynton, organ

Gathering & Matthew 1.18-25 Anita Peebles

*Advent Canticle Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn - Haugen See insert

Advent Candle Lighting Larry Green and Paul Sobrie

Anthem Candlelight Christmas Canon - Mary McDonald Sanctuary Choir Anita Peebles, flute

Time with Children Anita Peebles

Invitations to Involvement, Giving, and Prayer Patricia L. Hunter

*Prayer Hymn O Come, O Come, Emmanuel #116 vs. 1, 2, 6, 7

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 you, O Israel!

O come, O Wisdom from on high, and order all things far and nigh; To us the path of knowledge show, and help us in that way to go. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel!

O come, O Dayspring come and cheer, our spirits by your advent here; Love stir within the womb of night, and death's own shadows put to flight. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel!

O come, Desire of Nations, bind, all peoples in one heart and mind; Make envy, strife, and quarrels cease; fill the whole world with heaven's peace. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel!

Prayer Patricia L. Hunter

Lesson: excerpts from I Samuel 1 and 2

Sermon The Call of Christmas Tim Phillips

Tim Phillips

*Closing Hymn Here I am, Lord See insert

Postlude The First Noel - arr. Callahan Margie Paynton

Please join Virtual Coffee Hour on Zoom after the service. Find the link on the church calendar or connect at this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/866012575.

This is an informal time to connect with our church family.

Notes for Today's Worship: We continue to use Dr. Wilda C. Gafney's translations of the texts for the day from Year W: A Women's Lectionary for the Whole Church. All year, but especially in this season, the biblical tradition calls us to recognize, honor, and bless the witness of women in our life together.

Wednesday, December 22 - Taize at 6:30pm, all are welcome to gather on Zoom for worship in the style of Taizé. Taizé - https://us02web.zoom.us/j/543978086 Meeting ID: 543 978 086 - One tap mobile +12532158782,,543978086#

Friday, December 24th Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 6:00pm in the Sanctuary Lessons & Carols on Faith, Hope, Love, Joy, Peace. The service will also be streamed online.

December 25th - Christmas Virtual Open House - Will you be alone Christmas Day? **Cherry Johnson** will be hosting a virtual open house on Zoom Christmas Day from 12-1:30pm. Come for 9 minutes or 90 minutes. Greet your friends and receive the blessing of "presence" -- of being seen and heard and cherished. There are few greater gifts! Find the Zoom link on the church calendar.

Sunday, December 26, 2021 Christmas Sunday, Boxing Day Pastor Anita preaching and Christmas carols abound!

Weekly Events

Brave Space on **Monday, December 20** - All are welcome! The Zoom link can be found on the church calendar. Contact **Karen Carlos** at karenlewis58@gmail.com.

Tuesday Prayer, EVERY Tuesday at 12:00 p.m. led by Pastor Patricia L. Hunter.

Wednesday, December 22nd - Taize on Zoom at 6:30pm.

Choir rehearsal takes place every Wednesday from 7-9pm in the choir room. NO Choir rehearsal on December 29.

December 23rd - Thursday Bible Study - I Samuel 1.19-28 - Matthew 1.18-25

Godly Play - Kids in kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to join via Zoom at 9:30am ready to wonder together. Contact Pastor Anita for more information.

Merry Christmas`