

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP - 10 AM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Impatient Expectation

ISAIAH 64:1-9



Shadow and Light: A Journey into Advent

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



A welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives

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Advent Candles
Vivian Baker and Danny Fisher
Niners confirmation class representatives

WE WELCOME YOU AND YOUR FAMILY TO SECOND!

Following today's *The Word with Children*, families may continue to worship together, or those **4 years old - Grade 8** may depart with ministry staff and volunteers for children's choirs. If you have not checked in at a computer kiosk, please complete a **green nametag** for your child to wear to choir and bring the other half of the tag with you to pick up your child on the first floor (follow signs.)

Care for children *three-years-old and younger* is available all morning on the second floor. Please ask an usher or staff member for guidance.

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Vivian Baker and Danny Fisher

**We light candles this Advent.
 Candles of joy despite all the sadness.
 Candles of hope where despair keeps watch.
 Candles of courage where fear is ever present.
 Candles of peace for tempest-tossed days.
 Candles of grace to ease heavy burdens.
 Candles of love to inspire our living.
 O Lord, may these candles burn all the year long. Amen.**

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God,
 Forgive us for the times we are too afraid to hope,
 too tired to dream,
 too angry to listen,
 too wounded to trust,
 too certain to be surprised.
 Kindle in us a renewed sense of faith.
 Lift our faces to look for your light. (Silent Prayer)**

Assurance of God's Grace

*** Response of Praise**

VOM HIMMEL HOCH

Praise God up - on his heav'n - ly throne, Who sends to us his on - ly Son.
 The an - gels greet us with good cheer, And sing us all a bright new year!

*** Passing the Peace of Christ**

*** Hymn #9**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI EMMANUEL

We Experience God's Word

The Word with Children

Prayer for Illumination

Danny Fisher

First Scripture Lesson

Luke 2:25-33

(p. 934)

Anthem

Nunc Dimittis in G Major, op. 81
Sanctuary Choir with Patrick Pauloski, baritone

Charles Villiers Stanford
(1852-1924)

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

Text: The Book of Common Prayer, 1662

Second Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 64:1-9

(p. 680)

Sermon

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

“Impatient Expectation”

*“Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.”*

(ISAIAH 64:8)

Moment of Silent Meditation

We Give Thanks to God

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Michael M. Samson

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Invitation to Discipleship and Generosity

Offertory

Expectans, expectavi Dominum (from *Oratorio de Noël*, Op.12) Camille Saint-Saëns
Mitzi Westra, alto (1835-1921)

Expectans expectavi Dominum; et intendit mihi.

I waited with longing for the Lord, and he turned to me.

Text: Psalm 130:5, 69:16

*** Doxology**

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

Christ, to Thee with God the Fa - ther, And, O Ho - ly Ghost to Thee,
 Hymn and chant and high thanks-giv - ing And un - wea-ried prais - es be:
 Hon - or, glo - ry, and do - min - - ion, And e - ter - nal vic - to - ry,
 Ev - er - more and ev - er - more! A - - men.

Prayer of Dedication

We Go Forth to Serve

*** Closing Hymn #14**

Savior of the Nations, Come

NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND

*** Charge and Benediction**

*** Choral Benediction**

Belfast 'Amen'

Philip W.J. Stopford
(b. 1977)

Postlude

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661

J.S. Bach

Notes

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THE POWER OF PRAYER

We remember in prayer these members who have died, and their loved ones:

George Kennedy
Suzie Blakeman

Would you like one of our pastors to pray with you today? We invite you to come to Milner Chapel immediately following the 10 a.m. worship service for a short time of communion and prayer. You may also visit **SecondChurch.org/Prayer** to fill out a Prayer Request Form.

If you or a loved one is hospitalized, please contact:

Ashley Elskus, *Coordinator of Pastoral Care*
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NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

Second Sunday of Advent



Rev. Christopher A. Henry
Persistent Preparation

8:15 a.m. Worship in Milner Chapel

9 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

10 a.m. Sanctuary Worship

11:15 a.m. Service of Wholeness and Communion



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