

Order of worship

November 29, 2020

1st Sunday of Advent: Hope



Prelude Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming, arr. by Cindy Berry

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer/Call to Worship *

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

O Lord our God, we give you thanks
for the hope and longing you instill in us
through the promise of our baptism—
a voice crying out in the wilderness,
a messenger to prepare the way,
the day of redemption drawing near.
By the power of your Holy Spirit,
poured out upon us in baptism,
keep us awake and make us ready
for the coming of your glorious realm
of righteousness, justice, and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Opening Song/
Lighting the Advent Wreath** Come to the Stable by Colin Pritchard

**Here is the light
The light of hope
Come to the light
Bring everything that you know**

**Come to the stable
In from the field
Follow the star
Have no fear
For unto you this night is born**

Hope

Opening Hymn#2 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Call to Confession * Matthew 3:2-3

A voice is crying out in the wilderness:
Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.

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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,
We accept lies as truth,
exploit neighbors,
abuse the earth,
and refuse your justice and peace.

In your mercy, forgive us.
Grant us wisdom to welcome your way.

Assurance of Pardon*

Isaiah 35:1,10

The wilderness will rejoice; the dry land will blossom.
The people of God will return with joy and singing.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Amen.

Scripture Lessons

Various

Message

Hope in the Already and Not Yet

Prayers of the People*

A voice is crying in the wilderness:
let us prepare the way of the Lord.
God of our salvation, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the church . . .
Let us be a sign of your promised realm
and make us ready to meet our Savior Christ
when he comes again in glory.
God of our salvation, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the world . . .
Make a way in the wilderness of this world.
Bring justice and equality to every land
and let all creatures know your saving love.
God of our salvation, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for this community . . .
Send messengers of your way among us
to kindle in us a passion for what is right
and cleanse us from all corruption.
God of our salvation, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for loved ones . . .
Let your tender mercy shine on them.
Give light to those who wait in darkness
and guide their feet into the path of peace.
God of our salvation, **hear our prayer.**

Prepare your way in us, O Lord,
that we may rejoice and be glad
when your reign of glory comes;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME.
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.

Closing Hymn #537

Fairwell, Good Friends

Charge & Benediction*

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope
fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Alleluia!**

Closing Song

Peace of the Lord by Colin Pritchard

May the peace of the Lord go with you
Wherever he may send you
May he guide you through the wilderness
Protect you through the storm
May he bring you home rejoicing
At the wonders he has shown you
May he bring you home rejoicing
Once again into these doors
Peace of the Lord be with you
Peace of the Lord go with you

Postlude

People Look East, arr. by Lloyd Larson

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Virtual Worship Opportunities

Sundays, 10 am

In-person & FB Livestream Sunday Service*

**please pre-register*

Wednesdays, 7 pm

FB Livestream

Prayer Service



Announcements

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ZOOM Bible Study

Clay Girouard would like to start a new Zoom Bible study based on the book of Hebrews, exploring how God provided something better for us in the person of Jesus Christ. The study will be centered around the book "Better" by Jen Wilkin. Clay would like to limit the group size, so the first 12 people to respond will get the available spots. No day or time has been established yet, but he is thinking about one evening, Sunday through Thursday. It could be a weekly study or every other week. Once the group is set that will be determined. Anyone interested or if you need more info, please call or text Clay at 585-727-6848 or [email clay@rochester.rr.com](mailto:clay@rochester.rr.com).

Angel Tree

For Angel Tree gifts this year, here is the sign up link:
www.signupgenius.com/go/10cod4bafac29abffc61-victorfarmington
Gifts can be delivered or shipped to 6909 Dorsett Trail, Victor, NY 14564. Please deliver gifts by Saturday, December 12th.

Volunteers to light Advent candles

We are looking for members who are able to attend in-person worship on Sundays throughout Advent to light candles of Peace, Joy & Love during service. Volunteers are needed on December 6, 13, and 20. Please let Courtney in the office know if you would like to sign up for one of these dates.

Christmas Poinsettia Orders

We will be decorating our sanctuary for the Christmas season with poinsettias. The poinsettias will be used to decorate for the celebration of Christ's birth! If you wish to order, please fill in the form and return with \$11 for each poinsettia to the church office at 70 East Main Street, Victor, NY 14564, or drop in Courtney's mailbox across from the office. Please make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church in Victor. Order must be received by **December 3rd, 2020**

Virtual Coffee Hour

Your Deacons will be hosting virtual coffee hour via ZOOM each Sunday immediately after worship at **11:10am**. The link to join is included in your email and is the same each week. This week's topic is : **Please share a special Thanksgiving memory!** Please refill your coffee and join us!

Church Offering Envelopes

Thank you once again for your generous pledges for the 2020 Generosity Campaign. **If you are in need of offering envelopes for 2021**, please let Courtney in the office know as soon as possible. Thank you!

In-Person Sunday morning Worship

We will be welcoming you to in-person worship in the sanctuary again next **Sunday, December 6th at 10am**. Details about our safety plan, registration, and participant expectations were sent via email and can be found on our website. This will be limited, so **register early for your space**. Google form to register will be sent by email each week. Please plan to arrive to the building about 15 minutes before the start of worship.

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