First Presbyterian Church of Aberdeen First Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2020

Prelude Welcome and Announcements

The Call to Worship

1 Corinthians 1:3-7

³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— ⁶ even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ,

The Song of Praise - #9 O Come O Come Immanuel

1 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 thee O Israel

2 O come Thou Dayspring come and cheer Our spirits by Thine advent here Disperse the gloomy clouds of night And death's dark shadows put to flight Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel Shall come to thee O Israel

3 O come Desire of nations bind All peoples in one heart and mind Bid envy strife and quarrels cease Fill the whole world with heaven's peace Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel Shall come to thee O Israel

Lighting of the First Advent Candle

The Corporate Confession - The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*catholic means universal

The Reading and Proclamation of Scripture – Pastor Dave Emery

"What Are You Waiting For"

Isaiah 64:1-4

64 Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down,

that the mountains might quake at your presence-

² as when fire kindles brushwood

and the fire causes water to boil-

to make your name known to your adversaries,

and that the nations might tremble at your presence!

³When you did awesome things that we did not look for,

you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.

⁴ From of old no one has heard

or perceived by the ear,

no eye has seen a God besides you,

who acts for those who wait for him.

The Song of Reflection - #2 Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

 Come, Thou long expected Jesus, Born to set Thy people free;
 From our fears and sins release us, Let us find our rest in Thee.
 Israel's strength and consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart.

2 Born Thy people to deliver, Born a child, and yet a King; Born to reign in us forever, Now Thy gracious kingdom bring. By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone; By Thine all-sufficient merit Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

Prayer

The Closing Hymn - #41 O Come All Ye Faithful

1 O come all ye faithful Joyful and triumphant O come ye O come ye to Bethlehem Come and behold Him Born the King of angels

Chorus

O come let us adore Him O come let us adore Him O come let us adore Him Christ the Lord

2 Yea Lord we greet Thee Born this happy morning Jesus to Thee be all glory given Word of the Father Now in flesh appearing

3 Sing choirs of angels Sing in exultation Sing all ye citizens of heaven above Glory to God all Glory in the highest

Benediction and Postlude