

First Sunday of Advent

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church
Classic Worship, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
November 27, 2022

*Please silence all cell phones prior to the service.
The asterisk (*) indicates to stand, as you are able.*

BELL PEAL

WELCOME

Rev. Jay Clark

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Voluntary in D

John Stanley

* CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Isaiah 11)

Leader: A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;

People: from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.

Pastor: The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him;

**People: with righteousness he will judge the needy,
with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth.**

Pastor: The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat,

**People: the calf and the lion and the yearling together;
and a little child will lead them.**

Pastor: Let us sing with praise as we look towards the coming of the Lord.

People: Come, Lord Jesus, come!

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 196 *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

HYFRYDOL

* LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

(9:00) Allen & Sherry Bird

(11:00) The Nolen Family

Leader: We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Hope.

May the light sent from God shine in the darkness
to show us the way of salvation.

People: O come, O come, Emmanuel.

All Sing: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH FOR ADVENT

Rev. Abbey Maynard

We believe in God, creator and lover of the earth, origin and destiny of us all.

**We believe in Jesus the Christ—God coming to us in the fragile promise of a baby
yet unborn—who emerges as the herald of hope, God's laughter in the face of despair.**

**Plunged into death and hell, he broke free the captives, and is leading the way
to the land of promise where justice and peace will flourish.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, who implants the seed of truth, brings us to birth
as the body of Christ, and empowers us to confront and transform all that is corrupt,
degrading and deceitful.**

**We believe in the coming reign of God. Announced by the Baptist, it has drawn near to us
in Jesus, and will be consummated in the glorious marriage of earth and heaven,
when all who have passed through the world's deep sorrow will be raised from the waters,
robed in righteousness, and gathered into the joyous fulfilment of God's desire.**

For the coming of that day, we work and pray: Come, Lord Jesus, come!

* GLORIA PATRI 70

MEINEKE

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. Amen.

(11:00) SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

Evergreen Krehbiel

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's holy church,

**for we are all one in Christ Jesus, our Lord. We promise to love, encourage,
nurture and support you, and to help you know and follow Christ.**

ANTHEM

Prepare the Way of the Lord

Michael Larkin

Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Jay Clark

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Ever present God, you taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand.

Grant that we may always be watching for the coming of your Son.

Save us from undue love of the world, that we may wait with patient hope

for the day of the Lord, and so abide in him, that when he shall appear,

we may not be ashamed; for it is in Jesus' name we pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,

for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHORAL AMEN

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERING

Rev. Abbey Maynard

OFFERTORY

Of the Father's Love Begotten

arr. Jay Rouse

* DOXOLOGY 95

OLD 100th

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* HYMN 549

Where Charity and Love Prevail

ST. PETER

* SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 13:11-14

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

* GREETING

SERMON

Wake Up!

Rev. Britt Skarda

* CLOSING HYMN 206

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

HOUSTON

*** WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS**

We rejoice to recognize you as a member of Christ's holy church, and we welcome you to Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

*** BENEDICTION**

*** CLOSING VOLUNTARY** *From Heaven Above* *arr. Wilbur Held*

Communion is available immediately following this service in the Chapel.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Jay Clark, *Executive Pastor*; Rev. Abbey Maynard, *Community Ministries*
Dr. Frode Gundersen, *Director of Music, Arts & Worship*; Rev. Britt Skarda, *Former Senior Pastor*

ACOLYTES

(9:00) Lampton Jeffus & Charlotte Stotts (11:00) Preston Holsclaw & Whitman Holsclaw

USHERS

(9:00) Geoff Gwinn, Lee Archer, Nancy Archer, Harryette Shue, Cindy Simpson
(11:00) Edith Bowman, Scott Clement, Nancy Leonhardt, Ray Porter

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Josephine Renshaw by Carole Ann Provin and family.

COLUMBARIUM FLOWERS

The Columbarium Garden flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Jack Hamilton
by Claudia, Keith, Laura, Rebecca and Sarah Hamilton.

BECAUSE YOU GIVE

Today at 3:00 p.m. is our "Service of Hope and Healing," and is intended for anyone struggling with grief or loneliness during the holiday season. Special services like this are made possible because of your fervent generosity.