

Traditional Service of Worship

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 21, 2025

11:00 a.m.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Smith

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out a Connect Card—available in the pews (drop it in the offering plate) or digitally via the QR code at the bottom right of this bulletin.

INTROIT

*HYMN

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

No. 240

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Please respond by reading the bold text aloud.)

Holy disruption doesn't wait for all to be calm or all to be bright.

God breaks in among shepherds, fields, and ordinary lives.

Fear is met with good news; silence is shattered by angel song.

Come, let us worship the God who enters our world with peace and glory.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (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 by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 70

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.

*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Let no one be a stranger in the house of God.

Please take this opportunity to greet those around you.

*HYMN

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly (verse 1)

No. 229

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 9:2-7

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE

We value the gift of generations, so all kids are invited to grab a worship bag (or coloring supplies) and remain in the sanctuary as part of worship. The nursery is open and available for kids four and younger.

ANTHEM

We Three Kings
Chancel Ringers

Dobrinski

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

OFFERTORY

A Flourish of Carols
Chancel Choir

Martin

*DOXOLOGY

No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*HYMN OF ILLUMINATION

Let All Mortal Flesh Silence

No. 626

SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:8-14

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

SERMON:

“Holy Disruption and Good News”

Rev. Emily Knight

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

No. 224

*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fanfare on Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying

Burkhardt

*** Congregation, please stand.**

Worship Attendance - December 14, 2025

Christmas Cantata (One Worship Service) - In-person	314
Christmas Cantata (One Worship Service) - Online	15
Total Worship	329
Blue Christmas Service	51

Serving in Worship Today

9 a.m. Contemporary Service

Greeter: Sharon & Jeff Joos, Kristen Griffith

Tech Team: Judy & Danny Marks

11 a.m. Traditional Service

Greeters: Karen Fleming, Carolyn & Bill Sherman

Tech Team: Kaitlyn Fuller, Britt Scott

Ushers: Brittany Bruce, Susan Siegel

Liturgist: Clark Burner

Crucifer: Ellie Waters

Acolyte: DJ Flagler, EJ Waters

What's Happening This Week?

CALENDAR TODAY:

Worship: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. (202 & 204)

Youth Group: 10:00 a.m. (302)

Kids Club: 10:00 a.m. (402)

Kids Choir: 10:30 a.m. (403)

Youth Christmas Party: Noon

Chancel Ringers: 5:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

Luminaria Night

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Christmas Eve Contemporary Service: Wednesday at 4:30 p.m.

Christmas Eve Traditional Service: Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

The church office will close at 12 p.m. on Christmas Eve and will be closed Christmas Day and the day after Christmas.

Meals Served Last Week: 135

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given in memory of her mother, Mary Rector, by Emily Rehberg.

Digital Connect Card:

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CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

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Gather with Song

Christmas Is Coming - Mac Powell

Welcome! Greet one another in Christ!

Love Comes Down - Worship Initiative

Scripture

Isaiah 9:2-7

Let Us Adore - David Binion

Children's Message & Lighting the Advent Candle

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Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Offer Gifts to God

Love Like This - Lauren Daigle

Proclaim God's Word

Luke 2:8-14

"Holy Disruption and Good News"

Rev. Emily Knight

Benediction and Sending

Angels From The Realms of Glory (Emmanuel) - Paul Baloche

Fuel the Mission & Give Online:

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CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES:

4:30 p.m. Contemporary

7:00 p.m. Traditional

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

Candles & Communion at both

Nursery care available at 7 p.m.

Sunday after Christmas:

**ONE Service only:
10:30 a.m. Dec 28th**

Pajama Sunday for kids!
(no Sunday school or other groups)



CHURCH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

December 24th: 9-12 (closed early)

December 25th & 26th: Closed

December 31st: 9-12 (closed early)

New Year's Day: Closed



Princess & Pirates Family Dance

Friday Jan 2, 2026 | 6:30-8 PM

event info on Facebook



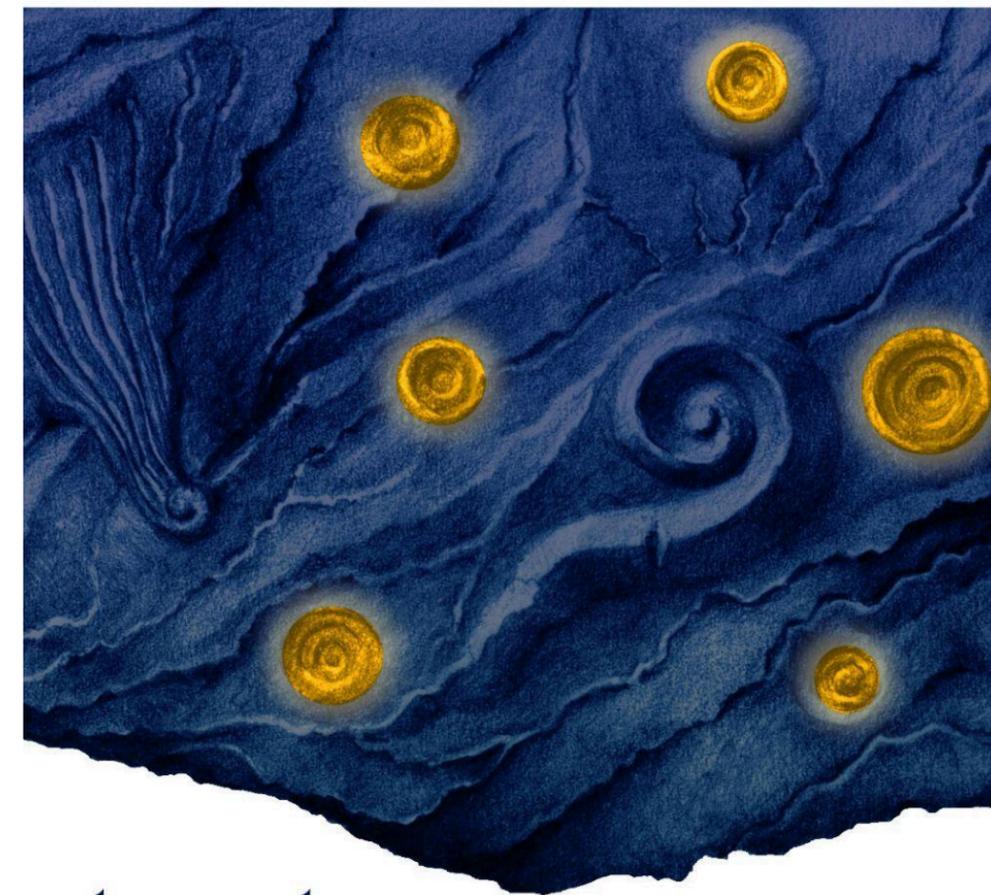
**JANUARY SUNDAYS
@9AM & 11AM**

New Group for Parents

Starting January

Sundays @10:10

"Peace (even while parenting)"



holy disruption

THIS CHANGES EVERYTHING

Advent 2025



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