SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

2nd Sunday of Advent December 10, 2023 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Time for quiet prayer and meditation ... "Be still and know that I am God."

We Come Before God in Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Finance

Prelude	"Deck the Halls"	arr. Tucker
	Adult Handbells	

Call to Worship

Leader: Show us your unfailing love, O God, our Savior, and grant us your salvation. People: Listen to what the Lord our God says: He promises peace to his people. Leader: The Lord will indeed give what is good. Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps. People: May the Lord make his holy face to shine upon us in this time of Advent worship. May we see God's face, and so know peace. (based on Psalms 57 & 85)

* Hymn "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" No. 82

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

O Holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray. Cast out our sin and enter in: be born in ustoday.

- Assurance of Pardon
- Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; asit wasin the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Candle

9:00 a.m. Elizabeth and David Weaver 11:00 a.m. Larry and Renee Keese

Prayer for Children (Áges K3-1st Grade may leave for Children's Church)

Little onesto Him belong: Lord Jesus, bless our children. Amen.

God Givesto Us Through HisWord

Anthem (11:00 a.m.) "O Little Town of Bethlehem" Adult Choir arr. Forrest

Scripture Lesson Zechariah 2:1-5

Sermon

The Visions of Zechariah II. The New Jerusalem

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn "O Lord, How Shall I Meet You"

* 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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call to Prayer (11:00 a.m.) Come and Worship Traditional Adult Choir

Prayer of People 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 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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

No. 581

"The Holly and the Ivy" Adult Handbells

arr. Mockelbust

Dr. Seel

No. 104

* Postlude

* Congregation Stands

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	"Love Has C
*	Charge and Benedictio	n
*	Benediction Response	"Make Us

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

No. 606

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No. 110

Holy, Make Us Whole"

In your love, make us whole. May we rest in your compassion. Calm the lost, weary soul in the warmth of your love. May your peace fill our hearts May we know the love of Jesus By your grace, you console. Make us holy, make us whole.

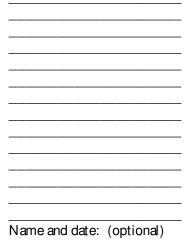
"Regent Square"

arr. Hopson

Please write your request, tear off this form, fold, and place in the offering plate.

PRAYER REQUESTS

The Tuesday Morning Prayer Group meets each week at 10:00 a.m. to pray for the EPC family and any other special needs.



(These are kept confidential!)

WELCOMETO VISITORS

If you are visiting today, we would like you to know that it is a privilege to have you with us. It is our hope that you will find a warm welcome and an atmosphere to worship God.

We would love a record of your visit. Please fill out the following and place in the offering plate when passed.

Name

Address

Phone Number

Email Address

□ 1st Time Visit

Christmas Decor

Thank you to all those who decorated the Sanctuary and church so beautifully for Christmas.

Also, a special thank you to Talita Prins for making the beautiful Creche on the Communion Table.

Fill out the form below, tear off and put in the offering plate.

Wonderful Wednesday Meal Reservation December 13, 5:30 pm

Menu: Chili, Potato Bar, Salad, & Dessert

Prepared by: Deke Van Wagner

Family Name

\$5 for ages 5 years & up \$25 Family Cap

Ages 5 & up: # of meals Vegetarian: # of meals

> You may also sign up on our website: easleypresbyterian.org

Deadline is Noon, Monday each week.

<u>NURSERY STAFF</u> Valerie Brock & SophieWilson			
CHILDREN'S CHURCH VOLUNTEERS TODAY			
<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>		
Janey & Garrett Charles	GinnaLister		
SAFE PLACE MONITOR Britt Burnett			
DECEMBER USHERS			
<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>		
Greg Lucas, Head Chad Lister, Asst.	Greg Lucas, Head Brad Wilson, Asst.		
SOUND & LIGHT	VIDEO		
Phil Darity	John Franks		

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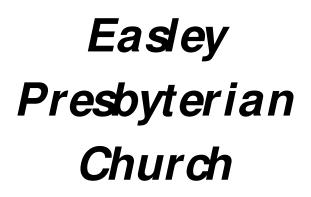
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