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Our Mission Statement:
To show God's love as revealed in Jesus Christ.

Sunday, December 22, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

Communion
Fourth Sunday of Advent

***Please stand in body or in spirit.**

Prelude

****Introit:***

God Of All Places

VU# 4 v. 3

****Words of Welcome***

Life and Work of the Church

Acknowledging the Territory

****Lighting the Advent Candle***

L: Micah proclaimed, "But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one do is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from old, from ancient days."

P: God sees not as humans see. God sees potential where others may not.

L: God calls to even those who may not seem significant.

P: To God, we are all significant.

(4 Advent candles are lit.)

L: Mary proclaimed: "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour."

P: Like Mary, we rejoice in the love God shows us.

L: God is about to be in our midst, as now, so again.

P: In a few days, our Advent journey ends at the manger - God's love with us.

***Sung Response:**

A Candle Is Burning

VU# 6 v. 4

Songs of Praise and Adoration*Call to Worship**

L: Come like Mary, to offer whole-hearted praise to God.

P: We remember that God has not forgotten us. We are significant to God.

L: Mary reminds us that God is faithful to us from generation to generation.

P: God's world is filled with love. The lowly are lifted, the hungry filled with good things.

L: God has kept the promises made in ancient days.

P: God is with God's people, and God continues to be with us, always.**Opening Prayer**

Caring God, as the final rush to prepare our homes, our trees, our presents, happens this week, help us to slow down to finish the preparation of our hearts. Like Mary, give us open hearts to receive your love even in the midst of fear, the clamour of the world, and the distractions around us. Your love is about to shine through more brightly than ever, may we be ready to see. Amen.

Hymn:

Angels, From The Realms Of Glory

VU# 36 vs. 1 & 2

A Time to Be Children*The Lord's Prayer (an inclusive version for Advent)*

**Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace—hallowed be your name.**

Immanuel, God with us—hallowed be your name.

**In us, through us, and around us, your kingdom come
where the wolf will live with the lamb and the lion
will feed with the calf.**

Bread of life, feed us with your truth.

For our indifference to the wonder of your coming, forgive us.

**Protect us from the constant dangers
and enticing temptations we face each day.**

**Word who became flesh and lived among us,
we have seen your glory, full of grace and truth.**

As You come to us now, and You will come to us again in glory,

when we will join all heaven and earth in giving you blessing
and honor and glory and might forever!
Amen

Hymn:

Angels, From The Realms Of Glory

VU# 36 vs. 3 & 4

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture:

Micah 5:2-5a A leader will come from Bethlehem

Luke 1:26-56 Mary visited by Gabriel and visits Elizabeth

L: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church today.

P: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Anthem: It's a Time for Joy

Message

****Hymn:***

To A Maid Whose Name Was Mary

VU# 14 vs. 1,2,3 & 6

Invitation to the Offering

****Offertory Response:***

All Poor Ones And Humble

VU# 68 chorus

****Prayer of Dedication***

****Communion Hymn:***

Gentle Mary Laid Her Child

VU# 46

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

L: Glory to God in the highest!

P: And on earth, peace to all!

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to God.

L: Let us give thanks to God.

P: It is good to give thanks and praise.

L: We give you thanks, God of peace and promise. Through the words
of your prophets and the faith of your followers you prepare the way

of our redemption and bring hope to birth. And though we often grow weary of waiting, your signs call us to keep watch for that day when all things shall be made new. In assurance of this hope, we join with all the company of heaven and earth to give you praise:

P: Holy, holy, holy God,

Power of life and love!

Heaven and earth are full of your glory!

Hosanna through the ages!

Blest is the One who comes to bring your justice to earth!

L: As we gather at this table, we remember that on the night before he died, Jesus had supper with his friends. He took a loaf of bread, thanked you as we have thanked you, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Each time you do this, remember me."

Then, he took a cup, and after giving thanks, passed it to his friends, saying: "Drink. This cup is the promise of God, made in my blood. Each time you drink from this cup, remember me."

Loving God, we rejoice in the gift of your grace, remembering Christ's life and death, proclaiming his resurrection, waiting in hope for his coming again. Grant that in praise and thanksgiving, we may so offer ourselves to you that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:

P: Dying, Christ destroyed our death.

Rising, Christ restored our life.

Christ will come in glory.

L: By these signs of bread and wine, we recognize the longings of all our hearts for a time when all humanity will be one family—when justice and compassion will be the way we live according to the One we seek.

Holy Spirit, hover over our lives, uniting us in these signs and strengthening us to live the resurrected life of Christ in the world. At this time, we also remember all those with whom you would have us share your feast.

We pray for all who are in sorrow or in pain . . .

all who are ill or alone . . .

all who live with fear, oppression, or hunger . . .

all whom the world counts as last and least

We pray for your church and its varied ministries . . .

for the nations as they strive for peace and justice . . .

for the earth, and the fragile web of life we share . . .

for our families and friends

Praise be to God, the Source of love!

Praise be to Christ, Love incarnate!

Praise be to the Spirit, Love's power!

Praise be to God!

We gather these and all our prayers into the prayer Jesus taught us...

The Lord's Prayer (Sung)

VU# 959

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil
for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and forever.**

Breaking the Bread & Pouring the Cup

Sharing the Bread & Cup

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, we thank you that you have called your people from east and west, and north and south, to feast at the table of Jesus Christ. Keep us faithful to your will. Go with us to the streets, to our homes, and to our places of labour and leisure—that whether we are gathered or scattered, we may be the servant church of the servant Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

****Closing Hymn:***

Hail To God's Own Anointed

VU# 30

****Commissioning and Benediction***

****Sung Response:***

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

VU# 1 v. 7

Postlude

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