

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
MORNING WORSHIP ~ November 28, 2021 ~ 9:30 AM
First Christian Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Iowa

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude: *"Listen for His Coming"*
"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"
"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

Mark Hayes
Carol Tornquist
Don Wyrzten

Welcome

*Hymn of Preparation: **"Wait for the Lord" LUYH #480** (PFAS #27B) (1st time: Vocalists; 2nd time: All)

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*Advent Candle Lighting and Call to Worship

Reader 1: A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

Reader 2: He shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

**People: We light this candle as a sign
of our waiting and hope for the coming Christ.**

—Based on Isaiah 11:1; Jeremiah 33:15

*God's Greeting

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: May the love of God the Father,
and the grace of Jesus the Son,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be and abide with you all.

People: Amen!

*Hymn of Praise: **"Lo! He Comes, with Clouds Descending" LUYH #479:1,2,4**

(Alternate tune: REGENT SQUARE)

GOD RECONCILES US TO HIMSELF

Prayer of Confession

Song of Response: **"My Soul in Stillness Waits" LUYH #63:1,2**

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Assurance: **"My Soul in Stillness Waits" LUYH #63:3**

God's Will for Our Lives

*Song of Response: **"Behold Our God"**

GOD COMES TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture: Jeremiah 33:14-16 (Old Testament p. 903)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: *WAITING FOR THE KING WHO BRINGS JUSTICE AND RIGHTEOUSNESS*

*Song of Response: **"How Bright Appears the Morning Star" LUYH #101:1,3**

WE RESPOND WITH PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

Prayers of the People

Offertory

Offerings: (1) First CRC Ministry Fund; (2) Christian Education Fund

*Hymn of Dedication: **"My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout" LUYH #69:1,3,4** (PFAS #75B)

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

*Sending and Benediction

*Moment of Meditation

*Postlude

**indicates that those who are able are invited to stand*

Worship Leader: Rev. Kurt Monroe

Organist: Ellen Klompien

Pianist: Jennifer Monroe

Advent Readers: Elsie and Cora Vander Tuin | Candle Lighter: Cody Bultman

Vocalists: Tammy Lief, Mark Sjoerdsma

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EVENING WORSHIP ~ November 28, 2021 ~ 6:00 PM
First Christian Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Iowa

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

*Song of Preparation: **“Hark, the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes” LUYH #60:1,3,4**

*Call to Worship

Pastor: The Lord has done great things for us!

People: And we are filled with joy!

Pastor: Our God has turned our weeping into singing,

People: our tears into songs of joy!

Pastor: O Christ of God, come anew in our hearts this day,

People: and remain in us forever.

—Based on Psalm 126

*God’s Greeting

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Grace, mercy, and peace are yours, from God the Father Almighty,
from the Lord Jesus, and from the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

WE SING GOD’S PRAISE

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 25:1-10

Sung Psalm: **“LORD, I Gladly Trust” LUYH #354:1,2,3 (PFAS #25B)**

Song of Praise: **“Meekness and Majesty” LUYH #157:1-3**

Ministry of Music: **“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” (LUYH #56)**

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture: Revelation 19:6-9 (New Testament p. 313)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Statement of Faith: Our World Belongs To God, Article 38

Sermon: **THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER, PART II**

Prayer of Application

*Sermon Response: **“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” LUYH #831:1,3,4**

WE OFFER OURSELVES TO GOD

Congregational Prayer

Offertory

Offering: Building and Mission Funds

WE ARE SENT TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*Hymn of Dedication: **“Robed in Majesty” LUYH #546:1-2 (PFAS #93A)**

*Sending and Benediction

*Moment of Meditation

*Postlude

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Worship Leader: Rev. Kurt Monroe

Organist: Jessica Hummel

Reader/Vocalist: Mark and Caleb Sjoerdsma

Accompanist: Tami Koelewyn

Prayer Leader: John Wesselius