



Presbyterian
Community Church
of the Rockies

November 28, 2021



HOPE PEACE JOY LOVE

November 28, 2021 – 1st Sunday of Advent

TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

Worship begins with the prelude. Please quiet and prepare yourself for worship. Relax your body; quiet the inner dialogue of your mind; be open and receptive to God's Spirit in our midst.

PRELUDE "Larghetto" Johann W. Franck Organist, June Gamet

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE Kent and Betty Meyer

CHORAL RESPONSE: "People, Look East" (#12 Blue Hymnal)

People, look east. The time is near of the crowning of the year.

Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the table.

People, look east: Love, the Guest, is on the way.

CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist, Patti Dolezal

Liturgist: In this season of crowded stores and unpacked stress,

People: we will welcome one another as God has welcomed us.

Liturgist: In this time of hurried hellos and curt replies,

People: we will greet one another with words of hope and peace.

Liturgist: In a culture of increasing isolation,

People: we will embrace our sisters and brothers as God has enfolded us in grace.

***OPENING HYMN NO. 9** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison) The Rev. Chris Davis

Ever Present God, you came to save us, but that is so hard to remember in this hectic season. Our impatience for Christmas to arrive gets in the way of listening to our children singing in their rooms. We let the blinking lights blind us to your quiet presence in a noisy world. We get so caught up in the stories of violence, we cannot hear your voice reminding us not to be afraid.

As you poured out your mercy on all who have gone before us, loving God, shower us with grace and forgiveness.

Then, our eyes will be opened to all your wonders, our ears will echo with the anthems of the angels, and our emptiness will be filled with the life gifted to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

***RESPONSE** "Gloria Patri"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Please stand if you are able.*

A READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Micah 6:6-8

ANTHEM

“Come, Lord, and Be With Us” Wagner
Chancel Choir

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

Matthew 28:16-20

MESSAGE

The Rev. Chris Davis

A MOMENT OF GRATITUDE

Membership and Hospitality Committee
Worship and Music Committee

***CONFESSION OF FAITH (Unison)**

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 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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Offertory “Come to the Garden” arranged by J. Richard Dixon
*Doxology
Prayer of Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*The congregation responds, “**hear our prayer**”
following each petition which concludes, “God, in your grace...”*

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

(Not merely announcements, but the activities of our life together that reflect our day-to-day responses to God's call for faithfulness and your invitation to join in!)

***HYMN OF SENDING NO. 554** “Let All Things Now Living”

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Hark the Glad Sound” Charles Callahan

The Week Ahead . . .

Monday, November 29

9:00 am—Membership and Hospitality Committee

Tuesday, November 30

6:30 pm—Chamber Singers

Wednesday, December 1

4:00 pm—Joyful Bells

Thursday, December 2

10:00 am—Staff Meeting

4:00 pm—Chancel Bells

Sunday, December 5

8:30 am—Adult Bible Study (Lounge)

8:30 am—Journeys Class (Zoom)

10:00 am—Worship (also Livestream and Zoom)

11:00 am—Congregational Meeting



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Note: The calendar includes all known church events at time of printing.

Fellowship Time—Please join us after worship today for coffee and treats hosted by Pete and Bonnie [Vanderveen](#).

A Congregational Meeting to elect elders and deacons will be held on **Sunday, December 5** immediately following the worship service. The agenda is to receive the Nominating Committee's report for new officers and approve the amended PCCR Bylaws. Copies of the Bylaws may be found in the narthex.



If you have prayer requests you'd like to share with the congregation, please contact Pastor Chris at pastor@pccrusa.org, or call **414-690-4488 (cell)** or **970-586-4404 (church)**.

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