



SECOND SUNDAY
OF
Advent

**Second Sunday of Advent
Rev. Dr. Barbara Booth-Jarmon
December 8, 2024
9.30am**

PRELUDE
WELCOME
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering of the People

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING – PEACE

The Fulper Family

Last Sunday we lit the candle of Hope, remembering the hope which comes in Christ.

Please join us today we light the second candle of Advent, the candle of Peace.

God has a peaceful dream for the world, and we dream it too. In a world with wars and oppression, we long for a peaceful world where wolves and leopards and lions eating and sleeping and dancing with lambs, kids, and calves. We dream of a peaceful world where nations come together, where war is a memory, and we eat at one table.

We light this candle in Peace.

All: On this day, we remember the Lord of All who brings peace surpassing all understanding.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Get ready! The Lord is bringing to us Hope and Peace.

People: **How wonderful it is that the Lord is showering us with Peace.**

Liturgist: Open your hearts and let your spirits be quieted. Be at peace.

People: **Lord, prepare our lives and bring us peace. AMEN.**

***GATHERING SONGS**

“I Wonder As I Wander”

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

CALL TO CONFESSION

Liturgist Too often, we believe God’s vision of justice and peace is only for us, not those around us. We are sure others need to be cleansed and forgiven, but not us. Let us seek to live as if, indeed, the kingdom is coming near, as we offer our prayers to the One who calls us to Advent living, as we pray together, saying,

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

from the Book of Common Worship PCUSA

Unison **Goodness Incarnate, we must confess that we have not lived as your children. We sit in our lonely lives feasting on bitterness, when we could be feasting with those we are told not to trust. We wait for all our desires to be taken care of by you, while you hope we would fill the lives of others with your grace and hope.**

Silent Confession

Unison **Forgive us, God of this holy season, and help us to be as willing to draw near to others, so we might heal their brokenness, touch their loneliness, embrace their grief, and love them as you did when you came to us so long ago, as well as in these moments, in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

*Please stand if you are able

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Here is the good news: speak with the whispers of hope until it silences despair; sing the carols of compassion until all join in the chorus; shower others with wonder and delight and join in God's dance of grace. Thanks be to God. We are forgiven! So, let us welcome others with open arms, just as we have been embraced in God's love and laughter. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Hymn #813

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 11:1-10
Matthew 3:1-12

p. 686
p. 957

SERMON

"Perfect Peace"

Pastor Barbara

Responding to the Word

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

"What Child Is This?"

THE LORD'S TABLE

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

Unison **Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal realm. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CALL TO OFFERING

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Unison **Lord, you are the giver of every good gift. Accept these offerings we pray, that through them we may do justice, and love kindness, and walk humbly with you, our Sovereign and our God.**

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***SENDING HYMN**

"Let There Be Peace On Earth"

CHARGE AND BLESSING

*Please stand if you are able

Announcements

Prayer Concerns - If you are worshipping with us online, please use the chat feature to type your prayers and we will include your concerns.

Bells of KMPC: Come ring in the Advent and Christmas season with us. We practice from 6-7pm on Wednesdays. New members welcome. Talk with Sharyn if you have questions. 🛎

Food Ministry: Our Christmas Grocery Giveaway is Dec.21. We hope to give away at least 30 bags of food with a turkey, bread, and butter. We need jelly, syrup, pancake mix, tuna, canned fruit or applesauce, pasta sauce, gravy, cranberry sauce, and brownie mix or cookie mix. We will be packing up the bags on Thursday, Dec.19 around 3. If you would like to help packing up the bags, please let Sue King know.

December 8th Holiday Table Arrangement Class by Abby Danner. Cost \$40, includes lunch from 11 to 11:30, and project supplies. We will have desserts after the class. Please let Norma know if you'd like to bring a dessert. Please register with Norma Z 908-635-1044 or enzimmerman@comcast.net, limit 15.

December 14th @ 3pm. Music Mountain Theatre in Lambertville production of "A Christmas Carol".

Prayers of the People If you would like to receive the weekly email with today's prayer requests, please let Chris know and she will update the list.

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