

FAIRPLAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 22, 2024

9:30 am In-Person / Online Hybrid Worship



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WE GATHER IN GOD’S NAME

Let us prepare our hearts for worship in prayer.

PRELUDE "Prelude In Classic Style" Vladimir Slavujevic
 By Gordon Young Organ

MEDITATION – “When you have come to the edge of all the light
You have and step into the darkness of the unknown believe that
one of the two will happen to you either you'll find something
solid to stand on or you'll be taught how to fly!” -Richard Bach

INTROIT “Silent Night, Holy Night”
 (By Franz Gruber, Arr. by James Bastien)
 Adriel and Angela Ogando, piano duet

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Liturgist & Congregation
See Litany on screen & bulletin insert – Litany is Call to Worship

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Robert Smith

HYMN #2 “Come Thou Long Expected Jesus” Blue Hymnal

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Liturgist

ALL: God of joy, we confess that we have given in to despair, to believing only the bad news from newspapers and cable news and social media, the lies of those who would tell us the sky is falling and that is the whole story, and there is nothing we can do about it. Forgive us our despair and grant us the resistance of joy, we pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

TIME OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Robert Smith

One: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light
those who lived in a land of deep darkness – on them the
light has shined. The Lord who is mighty has done great
things for us. His mercy is for those who fear Him from
generation to generation.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Praise be to God.Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

on screen

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING Hebrews 10:5-10

Liturgist

ANTHEM "Joy to the World!"

Angela Orgando,flute
With Adriel Ogando, piano

NEW TESTAMENT READING Micah 5:2-5

Robert Smith

MESSAGE "The Difference Between Sunday and "Sinday"
is not U or I"

Robert Smith

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Liturgist

OFFERTORY “Angels We Have Adriel Ogando, trumpet
 Heard on High” with Angela Ogando, piano
Prayer of Dedication
Doxology *on screen*

MORNING PRAYER Robert Smith

HYMN #9 “O Come, O Come Emmanuel” Blue Hymnal

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION Robert Smith

BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Go Now in Peace”

POSTLUDE “Variations on the Theme Vladimir Slavujevic,
 From Pachelbel’s Canon in D” organ

VIRTUAL SHARING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST AND FELLOWSHIP
*Please send messages of peace or make phone calls to loved ones,
especially from this congregation.*