

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 3, 2017

1st Sunday of Advent

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

arr. Smith

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus says: I am coming soon.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

Leader: Heaven and earth will pass away,

People: but the word of God endures forever.

Leader: Let us worship God.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn #153**

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Prayer of Confession

God our Maker, we confess that we are not ready to meet you. We study the trends of our times and ignore the signs of your reign. We trust in things that pass away and forget your eternal promise.

Forgive us, God of grace. Strengthen us, by your hand, so that we may be ready for that day when you come to reign in glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *(Silent prayer and reflection)*

Words of Assurance

Leader: Friends, in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

***Gloria Patri #734**

“Glory Be to the Father”

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Time with the Children

Amy Atkinson

(* After the Children’s Message, children ages 4 through 2nd grade are welcome to go to our Infant/Toddler Nursery.)

Anthem

Of the Father’s Love Begotten

arr. Wohlgemuth

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Mark 13: 24-37

Pew Bible p. 50 - New Testament

Sermon Series

Coming Soon

Message

Stay Tuned!

The Rev. Rebekah J. Johns

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***Hymn of Response #148**

Come, Thou Almighty King

Offering

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads during this time)

Offertory

Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming

arr. Hayes

***The Doxology #44**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Lord’s Supper (insert)

***Closing Hymn #154**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

O Come, Little Children

arr. Broughton

* Those who are able, please stand.

Hearing assistance devices are available for anyone who needs them.
Please ask an usher.

Our memory verse for December is: *“Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” says the Lord. On the contrary: “If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head.” (Romans 12: 17-20)*