

TRADITIONAL

December 10

Simplicity

PRAYER CONCERNS: Phyllis Lockyear, JoAnn McGregor, Dr. David Martin, Paul Murphy

Today's Sanctuary flowers provided by Temple Crafters to the glory of God in honor of Kay Reyswig.

Today's choral selections are provided by the Temple Choir under the direction of Joan Nevill. Organist: Barbara Waite. Pre-service music, special music, and offertory music provided by Temple Brass.

USHERS: Greg & Linda Stilwell, captains; Chuck Taylor, Jacque Hardin

NEXT WEEK'S USHERS: Eric Eades, Seby Durgy, Chuck Taylor, Ronnie Pursley

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

### WELCOME

### PRELUDE

"Prepare the Royal Highway" by R. Hobby

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

### CHORAL INTROIT

"Prepare the Way of the Lord" by Taize

### †CHIMES & SERVICES OF LIGHT

### †PROCESSIONAL HYMN #211

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

### †PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Please turn to those around you and pass the peace of Christ.

### SPECIAL MUSIC

"Greensleeves Fantasy" arr. by Paul Nagle

### CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray as one.

### PASTORAL PRAYER

All: God of Grace, You enter the wilderness of our world and proclaim, "Prepare the way of the Lord!" You burst through clouds of despair to bring good news to Your people. Give us eyes to see Your light shine in a helpless baby; a homeless peasant; a refugee. Prepare our hearts; make them a home for the child who is to be born. And now, O God, hear us as we pray each in our own hearts and our own ways...

### LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13 "Pray then like this: 'Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.'"

### GIVING TITHES & OFFERING

"Sheep May Safely Grace" by Bach/Gale

†DOXOLOGY *The congregation stands as the Ushers return the offering to the Altar.*

#95 in Hymnal

### ANTHEM

"The Colors of Christmas" by J. Rutter

### KIDZ MOMENT

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mark 1:1-8

The Proclamation of John the Baptist

1 The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. 2 As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

3 "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,

who will prepare your way;

the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord,

make his paths straight,"

4 John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. 5 And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. 6 Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. 7 He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. 8 I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

### HYMN #204

"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

MESSAGE by Pastor Andy Payton "

All Hands on Deck"

### †HYMN #250

"Once in Royal David's City"

### †CHIMES & SERVICE OF LIGHT

### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

"Swiss Noel with Variations" by L. Daquin

### SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Monday: Revelations 1.1-8

Tuesday: Matthew 22.34-46

Wednesday: Matthew 23.1-12

Thursday: Matthew 23.13-26

Friday: Matthew 23.27-39

Saturday: Matthew 24.1-14

### ADVENT CHALLENGE #2

Redeem your time. When you find yourself waiting, pray, "Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me."