
AACRC Worship Order • 10:30am
December 24, 2023 • Fourth Week in Advent

Prelude: *Of the Fathe's Love Begotten*

Red Hymnal 78

Call to Worship & God's Greeting
Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Song: *King of Love*

Adam Palmer, Jonathan Smith, Matthew Hein, Stephanie Kulla, & Stuart Garrard

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 15-16

Song: *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Red Hymnal 88

Prayer of Confession

Lord Christ,
we confess our willingness to be loved
but also our reluctance to love.
We confess our readiness to accept your forgiving love
but also our refusal to forgive.
We confess our eagerness to grasp your offer of redeeming love
but also our resistance to follow you without question.
In this Advent time, forgive us our failure
to respond as we should.
Come to us anew, and by your grace,
assist us to receive you with joy, as the shepherds;
with gratitude, as Simeon;
with obedience, as Mary;
with love, as you have loved us.
Even so: come, Lord Jesus. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Children's Blessing

Come, Lord Jesus
He Came Down

Green Songbook 103:1,3

Green Songbook 92

(congregation please join in on all verses of both songs)

Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Interlude

Savior of the Nations, Come

Red Hymnal 74:1,2

The Lord's Supper

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...and the whole company of earth, we magnify your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

... Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died!

Christ is risen!

Christ will come again!

Communion Songs:

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Red Hymnal 61

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Red Hymnal 351

**As you come forward, there is an offering plate available to
present your gifts and offerings for the Lord's work through AACRC.**

Prayers of the People

Luke 1:46b-55

Sending Song: *Joy to the World*

Red Hymnal 92

We Receive God's Blessing

Postlude: *Savior of the Nations, Come*

Paul Manz

Pastor Noah (Worship Leader), Pastor Mike & Pastor Kristen (Liturgists)
Debbie Bigelow, Wayne & Norma Lloyd (Readers), Nate Musch (Bass guitar/trombone)
Marilyn McLaughlin (Keys), Dan Oram (Piano), Jan Musch (Organ)
Christine De Zeeuw, Paul Machiele (Vocals)