

Order of Worship November 28, 2021 First Sunday of Advent

Prelude (9:00 a.m.) (11:00 a.m.)

Lighting of the Advent Wreath (Responsive)

Liturgist: ...Restore us, O God; let your face shine upon us so that we might find our way back to you. Let us pray together:

All: Dear God, on this first Sunday in Advent, let this light shine brightly as the days grow shorter, so that we will be ready for your face to shine upon us when the day of your kingdom comes. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Lord, have mercy on us. We are not ready for your coming. We live in sin, as though there were no justice. We live in fear, as though there were no grace. Forgive us, Lord. Show us your mercy and steadfast love. Lead us in your truth, and teach us your paths, for you are the God of our salvation, you are the source of our hope. Amen.

Word to Grow By (11:00 a.m.)

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading Jeremiah 33:14-16

Special Music Who But the Lord? (11:00 a.m.)

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Sermon A Hopeful Community Rev. Nick Reed

Hymn No. 82 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus (11:00 a.m.)

Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Sacrament of Communion

Benediction

Postlude (9:00 a.m.) (11:00 a.m.)

11:00 a.m. Liturgist - Dave Lindahl

11:00 a.m. Advent Wreath Lighters - Katelyn Finch, Andrew Messier, Aubrey Wesberry

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Freda White, by her husband, Herb, and her daughters Karen, Ginny, Missy, and Katherine.

Welcome to worship at First Presbyterian Church, Auburn

New to the Presbyterian Church USA? We would love to share with you more about our Reformed tradition of theology and worship.

New to Auburn, or simply new to this congregation? We'd love to share with you more about the rich history of this church and its valuable contributions to the Auburn community.

Searching for a church home? We would love to join you in that search and help discern whether First Presbyterian may be where God is calling you to be nurtured, inspired, and empowered.

Please take a moment to fill out our <u>online Friendship Register</u> or you may contact either of us directly.

Revs. Nick and Kathy Reed, Co-Pastors