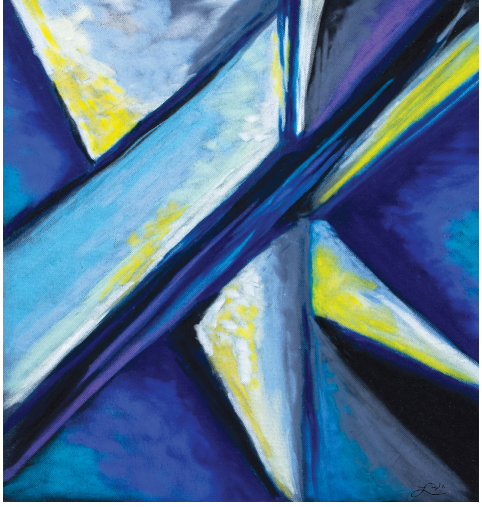


Order of Worship
November 30, 2025
First Sunday of Advent

Prelude *The Lamb That's Soon to Come*, Boyles

Call to Worship

Advent Wreath Lighting (Responsive)
One: Hear the promise of Isaiah: "Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint" (Isaiah 40:31).

All: Though our waiting feels long, your coming is sure. We join the chorus of saints across time, singing of hope, longing for redemption, trusting that even now, Christ is near. Come, Lord Jesus, and make hope our song.

Hymn No. 82 *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

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. Amen.

Moment for Silent Confession

Kyrie No. 551

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Gloria No. 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Passing of the Peace

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading *Isaiah 2:1-5*

Word to Grow By

Special Music *O Come Emmanuel*, Matthew Kincaid, soloist

Second Reading *Romans 13:11-14*

Sermon *Hopeful Living*, Rev. Nick Reed

Affirmation of Faith (Unison) *The Apostles' Creed*, Hymnal p. 35

Offertory *The Perfect Gift*, Moore (11:00)

Doxology No. 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Communion *The Rose*, Russell

Hymn No. 93 *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*

Benediction

Postlude *Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying*, arr. Price

Congregational Meeting

Liturgist: Scott Harvey

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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 online Friendship Register or you may contact either of us directly.

Revs. Nick and Kathy Reed, Co-Pastors