

POSTLUDE

English Carol Medley

Lorenz PC

**Please stand if you are able.*

NORTHMINSTER PRAYER CONCERNS – *New or updated this week in **BOLD** type.*

Sue R. – being treated for pancreatic cancer

Kelly H. – Had a surgery on Friday – prayers for her recovery

Dr. Mark DeGalen - at a Rehab Facility in Akron now

Robert D. – Leg removed, prayers for good overall recovery

Our Homebound: *Nancy Curtis, Ann Pittman, Scott Tannehill, Jeannine Swaffield, Micki Williams, Charlie Mossgrove*

NORTHMINSTER NOTES

- Today’s Liturgist: **Marsha Mossgrove**; Usher: **Mike Downerd**; Counters: **Stephanie Allen**



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Second Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 7th, 2025
 Worship Service – 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to all as we come together to worship our Lord on this blessed Sunday morning.
Please sign the attendance register in the pew.

PRELUDE “Gesu Bambino” Hayes

GREETING, WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT “Sing Noel” Taylor

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Christ, the One who was, and is, and is to come,
People: welcomes you to this place.
 Leader: As one body, with one voice, we honor and glorify the giver of wisdom,
 counsel, knowledge, and joy.
People: Amen. So be it.

Lighting of the Advent Candle
Second week of Advent

*HYMN #13 “Prepare The Way” BREREDEN VAG FOR HERRAN

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION – Unison**

Gracious and welcoming God, have mercy on your people. We confess that we do not believe in your incarnation. We do not heed your word each day in all that we say and do. We do not see our neighbors, families, and friends as beloved children whom you have made.

(Silent Personal Confession Time)

In your mercy, forgive us, for we repent of our ways and look to your power to heal us and raise us up, so that, at the last, you will gather us to you and give us peace. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: The reign of God has come near; the repentant will be judged with righteousness. You are forgiven. Be filled with hope, believing in the power of the risen Christ to bring you to new life. Rejoice and believe.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***GLORIA PATRI #579**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING **Isaiah 11:1-10** **p. 640-641 / LP p.784**

ANTHEM "Soon And Very Soon" Crouch/Schrader

GOSPEL READING: **Matthew 3:1-12** **p. 2-3 / LP p. 3**

Sermon "*Advent Responsibility*" *Ken Krause*

***HYMN #10** "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry" WINCHESTER NEW LM

ADVENT STATEMENT OF FAITH – See insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father...

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Gentle Mary Laid Her Child Hymn 27

***DOXOLOGY**

"These Gifts" (tune of "What Child Is This?")

***These gifts we joyfully bring to you,
To fill the world with meaning;
Our hearts and minds are longing for
The life of which you are dreaming.***

***This this our gift we bring,
Our lives we share, your praise we sing;
Show us your vision, Lord,
For hope and peace, and caring.***

(TEXT: Rev. Scott Cervas, Meadowthorpe Presbyterian Church Lexington, KY)

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION – Unison**

We give you thanks, Holy One, for all good things: for this universe and for Earth itself, for creatures and plants, for water and food, for light and darkness; for Jesus, our brother, who enlarged our vision, setting himself before us as the bread and wine of abundant life; and for the Holy Spirit, who comes to us in baptism and moves in our midst with the power to lead us to you. Turn our offerings to your good will, and turn us always to you in gratitude. Amen.

***HYMN #142** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" CORONATION

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Go Rejoicing" Butler

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**