Evangelical Covenant Church

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This Week in Our Church Family

Today, December 5, 2021 - Second Sunday of Advent

9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Nursery Closed until further notice

Advent Scripture Nelson Family Scripture Laurie Eckerty

Ushers Mike Nelson, Leah Moore, Diane Gustafson

Next Sunday, December 12, 2021 - Third Sunday of Advent

9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Nursery Closed until further notice

Advent Scripture Durham Family Scripture Tonya Durham

Ushers Roger Gustafson, Craig Kief

*Hearing assistance devices available by request at the sound board

*Overflow room available in the Fellowship Hall





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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Malachi 3:1-3

L: "See, I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come," says the Lord Almighty. But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap. He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver. Then the Lord will have men who will bring offerings in righteousness,

P: Lord, we long to receive Your messenger.

Invocation

Praise Song: "Here I Am to Worship" (P&W #44)

"King of Kings"

Advent

Prayer

All Sing: "O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer

Our spirits by thine advent here Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, And death's dark shadows put to flight.

Old Testament: Isaiah 40:1-11 New Testament: Luke 1:68-79

Lighting of Candles

All Sing: Rejoice! Rejoice!

Emmanuel

Shall come to thee O Israel!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 1:18-25a Laurie Eckerty

Sermon: "The Advent of Jesus: Part 2"

Hymn of Response: #148 "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Profession of Faith: Apostles' Creed #878

Prayer of Blessing Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Benediction

L: Wait patiently for the coming of the Lord God. Prepare a straight path for the Lord by leading lives of holiness and godliness, strive to be found at peace and filled with hope, and speak freely of the Lord's triumph and promise to all who will listen. Come forward, receive God's good gifts, and go with God's peace. Amen.

Congregational Response: Doxology

Postlude

Prayer Concerns

Long Term/Home Care

Lavonne Burklund Pat Nelson

Missions

Cathy Campobello (Medellin, Colombia)

Joe & Tammy Faulkinbury (Covenant Mountain Mission Bible Camp;

Jonesville, VA)

Ted & Sharon Wingo (South

Carolina)

Greta Henry (Merci Ministries;

Champaign, IL)

<u>Announcements</u>

David Parker

The Children's Sunday School Christmas program is scheduled for Sunday, December 19 during the Worship service.

There will be a Christmas Eve service here at 7pm.

Christmas Dinner will be served from 11am-1pm here at the church on Christmas Day. If you would like to help serve please contact Amanda Nelson.

There are still a couple of Angels left on the Angel tree if you would still like to help.