

First Sunday of Advent November 27, 2011 Worship at 9:30 and 11:15 am

Order of Worship

9:30 a.m. - First Sunday of Advent

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here.

Prelude **Festivity on Westminster Chimes** Ellen Jane Lorenz Jubilation Ringers

Ringing of the Church Bell

Hymn We Gather Together

see insert

Call to Worship Bob Petrus and Liz Jefferson

Leader: Today we enter Advent, a season of possibilities, a time

of "not yet." But daily lives reflect human struggles. Sometimes we are surrounded by brokenness in our lives, among our friends and families, in our worldwide family. Hope seems a far-off vision; yet we yearn for it to

fill us. We cry together.

People: Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we might

be saved.

Leader: When hope is lost.

People: Restore us, O God.

Leader: When people are hurting,

People: Restore us, O God.

Leader: When nations are fighting,

People: Restore us, O God.

Leader: When children are hungry,

People: Restore us, O God.

Leader: Restore us, O God of life. Bring us closer to hope, the

hope that lights the way on the journey to Bethlehem. During this season of waiting, may we be open to signs of your restoring love. As we light this first Advent candle, let us pray for God's restoration in the midst of bro-

kenness and despair.

All: Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we might

be saved. Amen.

Hymn

Come, o Redeemer, Come

see insert

Scripture Reading

Psalm 118:1-4

Cathy Doremus

Service of Baptism for Ian Porter Ross Presented by John and Nicole Ross

We receive this child as a new person in Christ. We offer our understanding and support as he explores life. We enfold him in our love, seeking together to grow in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and all people. We join with John and Nicole in telling the Gospel in our midst, so that their child and all children may live with us for Christ, showing forth God's love for all people.

Song of Dedication

lan, we greet you on this glad morning; We are so happy that you are here. Our fondest wishes go with you always: God guard and keep you all through the years.

Music Offering

Swingin' With the Saints Stand By Me Genesis Choir

When I Close My Eyes Canticle Singers

A Story for Children

Rev. Julie Yarborough (The 2 and 3-year-olds may leave for Sunday school at this time. Church Mice Choir for children pre-K through 1st grade may leave at this time.)

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus **HYFRYDOL** Hymn #2

Passing of the Peace

Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Rev. Caroline Dean

Silence & Prayer

The Lord's Praver Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread And forgive us our debts As we forgive our debtors; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil, For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.

Amen

Invitation to Sharing

Offertory Anthem It Is Well with My Soul arr. John Ness Beck

OLD 100TH Doxology

> Praise God from whom all blessings flow: Sing praise, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts: Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

> > (Children 1st through 7th grade may leave for Sunday school at this time.)

I Timothy 31:1-7 Scripture Reading Rev. Charles Rush

Sermon "Remembering Who Shaped Us" Rev. Rush

Rev. Charles Rush Benediction

Acolyte for 9:30 am:

Greeters: Cathy Doremus and Tracey Robinson

Ushers for 9:30 am: The Couselo-Remus and Murray Families

Welcome! Visiting today? Please complete a Visitor Card and drop into the offering plate and join us for fellowship after today's service.



The flowers today are given by the Kettenrings in celebration of the lives of Fredric & Bettina Kettenring and Robert & Opal Fenix .

The **third white candle** on the altar is lit in hope of world peace.

Sunday	Choir Practice – Sanctuary	8:45 am
November 27, 2011	First Worship Service	9:30 am
	Church Mice – Barnwell Hall	9:45 am
	Coffee Hour – Barnwell Hall	10:30 am
	NO Genesis Choir	
	NO Canticle Singers	
	High School Youth Choir	11:15 am
First Sunday of Ad-	Second Worship Service	11:15 am
vent	Youth -Large Group	5:00 pm

Ministers – All Members of Christ Church
Senior Minister – The Rev. Dr. Charles T. Rush
Associate Minister – The Rev. Julie Yarborough
Associate Minister – The Rev. Caroline Dean
Minister of Music – Mark Miller
Children's Choirs Director – Alison Vidal Caravano
Second Service Pianist – Daniel Rufolo
Organ Scholar & Music Intern - Nicholas Mitchell Garcia
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