



Second Sunday of Advent December 8, 2013

Worship at 9:30 am

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude **Divinum Mysterium** Craig Phillips (Please bring gift bags for Bridges up to the altar at this time.)

Ringing of the Church Bell

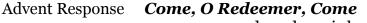
Hymn #9 O Come O Come Emmanuel VENI EMMANUEL

| Call to Wor | ship The Nukk-Freeman Family | | |
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| Leader: | Today we light the candles of Peace and Hope. We look | | |
| | forward to the birth of the Prince of Peace. | | |
| People: Lord, make us instruments of your peace. | | | |
| Leader: | Where there is hatred, let us sow love. | | |
| People: | Where there is injury, pardon. | | |
| Leader: | Where there is doubt, faith. | | |
| People: | Where there is despair, hope. | | |
| Leader: | Where there is darkness, light. | | |
| All: | And where there is sadness, joy. | | |

Prayer of Invocation

The Nukk-Freeman Family

Rev. Caroline Dean



words and music by Fernando Ortega



Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Silence & Prayer

Invitation to Sharing

Choral Anthem

I'll Praise My Maker

by Mark Miller

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.

| Service of Holy Communion | | Rev. Julie Yarborough Rev. Charles Rush | |
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| Benediction | | Rev. Rush | |
| Postlude | Toccata on 'Veni Emmanue | l' Mark Miller | |

Acolyte for 9:30 am: Elizabeth Markay Greeters: Anne Parker Ushers for 9:30 am: George Ross and John Vigilante

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 in loving memory of Gordon and Vivian Wadmond and Charles and Maybelle Mixon by their family

ANNOUNCEMENTS



<u>There is no Sunday school today, but the Nursery is open for children age 3 and under.</u>

Bridges Gift Bags: Please bring your gift bags up to the altar during the prelude or the passing of the peace. Thank you for your contribution!

To all members and friends of Christ Church:

The Executive Board invites all members and friends to attend the annual Financial Review meeting to be held in Barnwell Hall following the first service on **Sunday, Dec. 15**. Prior to the meeting, information will be circulated detailing the progression of recent years' adopted operating budgets and reporting the current status of the 2013 budget. At this meeting, we will also provide our preliminary estimates of the 2014 budget proposal to be voted on in early 2014. Board members will be present to discuss comments and questions regarding all aspects of the church's finances, as well as inquiries concerning the plans and projects of individual boards and committees. We look forward to seeing you at this important information session.

Executive Board of Christ Church

Our 2014 Stewardship Campaign is underway: Investing in Our Mission To Inspire, Welcome and Serve Pledge online at: http://christchurchsummit.org/pledge.html

In this season where we count our blessings and remember the many things we have to be grateful for, let's all of us give back to God through our church. The spiritual community and the people around us are foundational in our lives and deserve our support. **The stewardship committee will be asking your family to pledge a financial contribution to the church for 2014.** We would ask that you would be in prayer about what your family can do to make our community a vital and thriving place. In the next several weeks, we will explain some of our financial goals and needs and we will remind you of why giving here is really a joy because this community is meaningful. We need every single one of us to pull their weight in order for us to stay healthy. Thank you **for what you do to make our church robust.**

ADVENT WORKSHOP TODAY! Please join us after the service for this spirited Christ Church tradition. A brilliant collection of crafts for all ages followed by a delicious lunch of Chili (meat and vegetarian) or Chicken Noodle Soup, green salad, corn bread, drinks and cookies!!! We will conclude with Christmas carols. We'll be done after lunch and you will go home well fed and feeling virtuous from all your crafting!

Not feeling crafty? Socialize and stay for lunch (\$5 per person)

Please check in for Advent Workshop. You will receive a hand stamp indicating your payment for:

\$10 per person crafts/lunch \$40 per family (max) Additional craft charges \$5 Gingerbread houses mini \$20 Boxwood Trees \$20 Wreaths

Holiday Schedule:

Dec 8: 9:30 am worship only - Family worship with communion and Advent Workshop. **NO 11:15 service** that day.

Dec 15: 9:30 and 11:15 am worship

Dec 22: 9:30 and 11:15 am worship - Special Music by the Chancel Choir. The 11:15 service will be much like the 9:30 service that day, with the choir singing at both services.

Christmas Eve:

3:30 PM - Rehearsal for Pageant - all children welcome! **5:00 PM** - Children's Pageant & Family Service **10:30 PM** - Service of Lessons and Carols

Dec 29: One service at 9:30 am, with Christmas Carol Singing. No Sunday school, but nursery care will be provided. **NO 11:15 service** that day.

Labyrinth Walk: Dec 21 marks the Winter Solstice – the longest night of the year. Take a break from the hustle and bustle of the holiday season and join us on **Saturday, December 21 from 7:00 – 8:00 pm** for a meditative labyrinth walk to contemplate the darkness and celebrate the promise of longer days. Instruction will be given that night. No experience is necessary. All are welcome!

Morning Quest: We will meet on **Monday, Dec 9th at 9:30am** for an advent reflection and holiday brunch. For Monday, January 13th, we will read "Cry, the Beloved Country" the classic novel by Alan Paton, "Cry, the Beloved Country." Please mark your calendars and join us. Child care is always available.

EVENING QUEST is Tuesday night: Please join us in the Advent spirit! We will be meeting at Laurie Rufolo's home, 51 Wade Drive, Summit from **7:30 - 9 PM this Tuesday, December 10**. Hope to see you there! RSVP to ljrufolo@gmail.com. During discussion, we will be doing a holiday craft together, so please bring a pair of scissors!

Monday Night Yoga: Yoga class will be cancelled on the following dates- 12/9, 12/23 and 12/30.

| Sunday | Choir Practice – Sanctuary | 8:45 am |
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| December 8, | Genesis Choir and Canticles Singers- | 9:00 am |
| 2013 | Sanctuary | |
| | First Worship Service | 9:30 am |
| | NO Church Mice | |
| | Advent Workshop | 10:30 am |
| Second Sunday | NO Second Worship Service | |
| of Advent | High School Youth | 5:30 pm |

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