

Season of Waiting, Season of Hope



Welcome!

**We're glad
YOU
are here!**

**Light one candle to
watch for Messiah:
let the light banish
darkness. He is coming;**



**tell the glad
tidings. Let
your lights
be shining.**

*-Wayde L.
Wold, 1984*



**CHRIST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

*A community
Centered in Christ,
gathering in love,
growing by grace,
going forth to serve.*

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

The First Sunday of Advent

December 3, 2017 • 11:00am

OPENING PRAISE

Lighting the Candles

All are invited to light a candle located in the stained glass windows as a symbol that we are waiting for Christ to come.

The King is Coming Prelude

Call to Worship

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Advent Wreath Candle Lighting

Prayer of Confession

This Advent, we hope and pray for:

Joy as we journey together,
Sight for the blind and healing for the sick,
Freedom for the prisoners and good news for the poor,
Release for the oppressed with justice and love for each other.
And the coming of God's topsy-turvy, inside out, upside-down
Kingdom.

O loving and correcting God,
Forgive us for the many ways we are joyless,
blind, faithless, or too busy;
and for the times we stand against or in the way of Your will.
Come, Lord Jesus, Come! Renew our hearts today. Amen.

(silent time given so you may personally speak with God)

Ministers
The People

Preacher
Dale Chapin

Communion Servers
Haley Brown
Liz McCarthy
Guy Van Rensselaer

**Advent Wreath
Candle Lighting**
Fabrice & Malvina Nyanjo

Children at the Manger
Erin Drewes

**Worship Director
Vocals, Piano**
Natalie Handley

Vocals
Laura Andrews
Aaron Considine

Electric Guitar
Abe Lee

Synth
Laura Gallagher

Bass Guitar, Vocals
John Itson

Drums
Bill Cheadle

Cello
Derek Handley
Carol Quintana

Lyrics
Martha Henderson

Sound
Brandon Andrews

First Impressions Team
Matt Vieth
Rachel Jost
Eve & Guy VanRensselaer

Assurance of Forgiveness

Since Your Love

Passing of the Peace

COMMUNITY

Welcome & Announcements

Children at the Manger

HEARING THE WORD

Scripture

Isaiah 64:1-9; Mark 13:24-37

Message

What Time is It?

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Affirmation of Faith —*adapted from a French Reformed Creed*

I believe in God almighty, the Creator.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Redeemer.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, our Comforter.
I believe in the Eternal God,
whose holiness condemns me
whose love redeems me
whose peace renews me.

Invitation to the Table

Communion

All who seek the Lord and are open to receiving the grace of God
are invited to take communion.
(You are invited to bring your offering as you come forward.)

Let all Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Blessing