

## Worship Participants

**Pastors:** Rev. Bob W. David + Rev. Kyle R. Otterbein

**Music Directors:** Matthew Penning, Erin Moore

**Music Participants:** (8:30) Logos Choir, Matins Ringers

**Lay Leaders:** (8:30) Elizabeth Ebot (11:00) Myrna Farraj

**Candle Lighters:** (8:30) Josh + Carrie Schilling, Aiden + Caylen  
(11:00) Lucas + Erin Moore

**Ushers:** (8:30) Rich, Deb + Lauren Wretman and Mark + Mary Jo Abbott  
(11:00) Friends

**Greeters:** (8:30) Clayton + Helen Ringgenberg  
(11:00) Friends

## Announcements

- Children are welcome and encouraged to participate in our worship services.
- Children's bulletins and worship bags are available in the Narthex as you enter the Sanctuary.
- Nursery care is provided for 2-year-olds and younger during both worship services.
- Children's Time is for ages 3 years through Kindergarten and meets in the Castle Room in the East Wing. Children who wish to participate will be dismissed from worship as noted in the bulletin. This is a time of unstructured play, special activities, and continuing worship, led each week by a Children's Time leader.
- Seating, sound, and worship hymnals are available in the Narthex.
- Large print hymnals and Bibles are available from the ushers.
- Flowers in the Chancel are given by the Hoeft family in thankfulness for their many blessings.
- Flowers in the Narthex are given by the family of Wallace Johnson in loving memory of his birthday.
- Interested in the ministry opportunities of St. Andrew? Our weekly *Mini-Messenger* and monthly *Messenger* newsletters are available online at: [www.saintandrew-ic.org](http://www.saintandrew-ic.org) (under the "News" heading) or in paper version in the rack near the Welcome Table and on the table outside the main office.
- Join us for Christian Education for all ages at 9:45 am:  
Children ages 2 - kindergarten meet in the East Wing. Children in grades 1-6 meet in Fellowship Hall. Adults and Youth in grades 7-12 meet in classrooms in the North Wing.

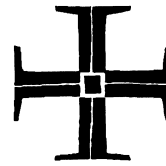
## About the order of worship



During the seasons of Advent and Christmas we are directing our attention to songs of promise from various people within the biblical witness of God's saving acts in the world. God has used people of all ages to communicate his love and majesty. Our order of worship takes us from the darkness of sin and death to the redemptive light of Jesus Christ. From voices in crisis heard in the Psalms to signs of God's promises in the Old Testament, we are driven to the light of Christ and sent out into the world to share the good news.

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## THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

NOVEMBER 29, 2009 ♦ 8:30 + 11:00 AM

### Songs of Promise to All Generations

#### ✝ Gathering

*Our music is offered to the glory of God; if you wish to express a response, a spoken "Amen" or "Praise God" is welcomed. May the first note of the prelude be to you a call to silent prayer and preparation for worship. Hymns and songs may be found in The Presbyterian Hymnal (blue) or Sing! A New Creation hymnal (green).*

#### Welcome + Announcements

#### Prelude

My Heart Is Longing *setting by Mark Sedio*

#### \*Call to Worship

There is no holy one, no rock, like our God,  
the One who can cause such rejoicing in our hearts and increase in our strength.

**For the Lord is a God of knowledge who looks favorably upon the people.**

The Lord breaks the power of the mighty, and clothes the feeble with strength.

**The Lord makes rich and makes poor, brings low and lifts up.**

God will make dawn from on high break out upon all generations,  
and light will come to those who sit in darkness.

**We bring praise to the One who strengthens the weak and  
hears the prayers of the forgotten!**

#### \*Opening Hymn

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus *blue, #2*

#### ✝ Voices in Crisis

#### \*Psalm Reading

Psalm 28

#### \*Prayer of Confession

Zechariah sings for joy that his own child will prepare the way for a Savior,  
to announce the full forgiveness of sins.

**We admit, Lord, that we are not ready to abandon the ways that are comfortable  
and easy for us, to begin the holy work of preparing our world for you.**

Hannah sings in thanksgiving that the bows of the mighty have been broken  
and that the feeble have been gifted with strength.

**We confess, Lord, that we hold aspirations of being mighty  
and too often we walk right past the feeble and the lowly.**

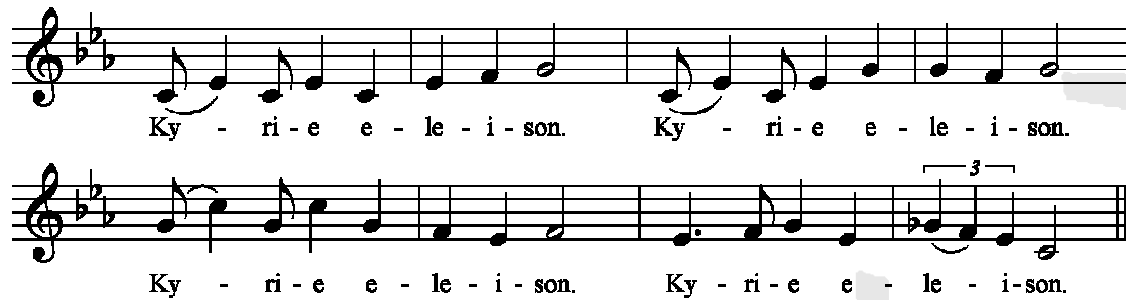
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*\*please stand as you are able*

Zechariah sings in praise that people will serve you in holiness and righteousness all of their days.  
**We admit, Lord, that we often would rather serve our own interests than follow your holy and truthful ways.**  
Because of our brokenness, Loving God, we seek your pardoning grace and your illuminating light.

*time for silent prayers of personal confession*

**\*Kyrie** *Lord, have mercy*



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## ✠ Signs of God's Promises

### Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 2:1-10

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

- OT Bible, pg. 245

### Song of Promise

(8:30) A New Magnificat - The Songs of Hannah and Mary *by Carolyn Jennings* *see insert*

(11:00) Psalm 126: When God First Brought Us Back from Exile *green, #210*

## ✠ Light in the Midst of Darkness

### Words of Assurance

1 John 1:5-9

### Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*Sung:*

The Lord is my light and my salvation, of whom should I be afraid, of whom should I be afraid?

**The Lord is my light and my salvation, of whom should I be afraid, of whom should I be afraid?**

### Children's Message

*Parents who would like to have their children participate in Children's Time in the Castle Room are welcome to accompany their children to the East Wing during the singing of the Congregational Song.*

### Song of Light

He Came Down *green, #92 stanza 1 only*

## Gospel Reading - songs of God's salvation

Luke 1:67-80

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

- NT Bible, pg. 58

## Sermon

Hannah + Zechariah - Songs of Promise *Rev. Bob David*

## Sung Response

Song of Zechariah *green, #104*

## ✠ Offering Ourselves for God's Purpose

### Welcome of New Members

Apostles' Creed (traditional), *blue, pg. 14*

### Sacrament of Holy Baptism (11:00)

Aiden Keith Long

*Ryan and Amber Long, parents*

### Worship in Tithes and Offerings

*If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.*

### Offertory

(8:30) A Joyful Thanksgiving *by Anna Laura Page*

Matins Ringers

(11:00) Song of Zechariah *setting by Mark Sedio*

### \*Offering Response Take, O Take Me As I Am *green, #215*

**Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;**

**Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

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### \*Prayer of Dedication

### Prayers of God's People + The Lord's Prayer

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.

## ✠ Sent Out to Spread the Light

### \*Closing Hymn

Shine, Jesus, Shine *green, #128*

### \*Charge & Blessing

### Postlude

Shine, Jesus, Shine *setting by Mark Hayes*

*You are invited to be seated for the postlude. Soli Deo Gloria! Glory to God Alone!*