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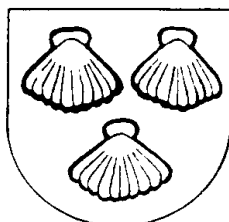
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9:30 am

“Being Present With Peace”

ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE

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“Clear a path through the wilderness for YHWH!
Make a straight road through the desert for our God!”
**Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low;
let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges become a valley!**
Go up on a high mountain, you who bring good news to Zion!
Shout with a loud voice, you who bring good news to Jerusalem!
Shout without fear, and say to the towns of Judah “Here is your God!”
**Like a shepherd you feed your flock,
gathering the lambs and holding them close,
and leading mother ewes with gentleness.**

Scripture

2 Peter 3: 8-15a and Mark 1: 1-8

Jeff Williams

Anthem

“King of Kings”

Praise Team

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Message

“Being Present With Peace”

Rev. Patricia Abell

Fully Present in the Moment: Praying

Prayer of the People, Church & World

Rev. Patricia Abell

“Right Here, Right Now”

Right here and right now we open our senses
to see and perceive the gifts we’ve been given,
to know and believe that what we must do
is open our hearts to let all gifts flow through.

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Offering

***Doxology**

“Doxology for Advent” (Tune: Veni Emmanuel)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heavenly host Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel

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Offering Prayer

Holy Communion

Present to the World: Sending Forth

***Closing Hymn**

“I Heard the Bells”

Praise Team

1. I heard the bells on Christmas day
Their old familiar carols play
And wild and sweet the words repeat
Of peace on earth goodwill to men

2. I thought how as the day had come
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along th’unbroken song
Of peace on earth good will to men

3. And in despair I bowed my head
There is no peace on earth I said
For hate is strong and mocks the song
Of peace on earth goodwill to men

4. Then pealed the bells more loud and deep
God is not dead nor doth he sleep
The wrong shall fail the right prevail
With peace on earth good will to men

5. Till ringing singing on its way
The world revolved from night to day
A voice a chime a chant sublime
Of peace on earth goodwill to men

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Benediction

Rev. Patricia Abell

Postlude

“Emmanuel” arr. Mark Hayes

Offered by Clarice Snyder

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Questions for Reflection

Who was a gift of presence to you this week? How did you offer yourself as a gift of presence?
What could you do this coming week that would allow God’s gift of Hope to flow through you to someone else?

Household Prayer: Morning

Holy Living Light of God,
you are our Peaceful Presence.
Let this peace grow in our lives each day,
so we can be a Present of Peace to others.
Unwrap and open our hearts.
May it be so.
Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Thank you, Lord, for the gifts and challenges of this day.
Where I failed to do your will, forgive me. Grant me peace throughout this night, and if I should die,
welcome me into your glory with all the saints in light; in Jesus’ name. Amen.

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