PCN WORSHIP ORDER

As we enter, let us quietly prepare to worship God.

Please silence all cell phones so that we might have a reverent service.

10:00 a.m. December 21, 2025

PRELUDE

WELCOME Rev. Dr. Tony Stiff

CHORAL INTROIT "Luke 2: Song of Simeon" PCN Music Ministry

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING Jim & Sally Jacob

COMMUNITY CALL TO WORSHIP

Ray Shanahan

L: Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say rejoice!

U: Our joy is in the Lord who blesses us.

L: Shout for joy, for the light of the world draws near!

U: Surely God's goodness will never fail us, the savior of the earth draws near. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord of Light!

OPENING PRAYER

*PASSING OF THE PEACE – You are invited to share the peace of Christ with your immediate neighbors by saying, "The Peace of Christ be with you" and then by responding to the peace they extend by saying "And also with you."

***HYMN** "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

INFANT BAPTISM OF COOPER WILLIAM CRANE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Sydney Fletcher

Prayer requests will be collected at this time.

Children are dismissed to go to Sunday School. (Sunday School is available for ages birth to 3 in the nursery/room 2; Pre-K through 5th grade in room 1, high school in the couch room. **Parents/Guardians, please pick up your child/ren from their classrooms directly following the worship service.**)

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

LAYING DOWN OUR BURDENS

Merciful and patient God, how easy it for us to miss the hope, peace, love, and joy You bring to the world in Advent. We get lost in the busy schedules of our holiday calendars, we allow the world's worries to dim our joy, we forget the reason for the season. Forgive us for choosing not to slow down, to create and hold space, so that we can encounter Your wondrous presence, so that we can know the joy of beholding Your light. Help us with Simeon, behold Your salvation afresh, we pray. Amen.

PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS

*PRAISE RESPONSE "Glory Be to the Father"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

John Reuscher

GOD'S WORD READ

Hebrew Scripture – Isaiah 40:1-2 New Testament – Luke 2:29-32

GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

"Simeon's Joy in the Coming Light"
Luke 2:25-35

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "Come. Lord Maranatha"

PRAYERS WITH AND FOR ONE ANOTHER Pastor Tony

U: 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 THE OFFERING

Pastor Tony

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Art Maramba

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him, all creatures here below Praise Him above, ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Pastor Tony

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CLOSING SONG

"Alleluia! Hurry, the Lord is Near"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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Each Sunday we encourage you to join us from 11:15 a.m. to 12 p.m. on the patio or in Trevitt Hall for coffee, conversation, and fellowship.