

DECEMBER 1, 2024 | 8:00 A.M. CHAPEL COMMUNION SERVICE
IN THE WAY OF IONA ABBEY, SCOTLAND



Jennifer Morris is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Worship Planning
Time: Nov 25, 2024 02:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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COMMUNION SERVICE
8:00 a.m., Cedarholm Chapel

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us go into the house of the Lord!

Let us meet God with joy!

God builds us up like a great city.

May peace be within our walls.

Let us seek the goodness of God;

Let us go into the house of the Lord!

* **HYMN 88**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (*stanzas 1-3, 7*)

Veni Emmanuel

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

As we gather to light the first Advent candle,
let us confess our failure to be one with God,
who is always among us.

God of the future,

You are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule.

We confess that we have not expected your kingdom,
for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgement.

We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth,
and refuse your justice and peace.

God, in your mercy, forgive us.

Grant us wisdom to welcome your way,

And to seek things that will endure

When Christ comes to judge the world.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

(as the candle is lit the liturgist reads...)

We light this candle of **Hope** as a sign of the coming light of Christ.

As the Lord has promised, in days to come...

The nations shall beat their swords into plowshare,

And their spears into pruning hooks;

Nation shall not lift up sword against nation,

Neither shall they learn war any more.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Every valley is lifted up; every mountain, made low.

Now the glory of the Lord is revealed,

for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16 (*NT, page 205*)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

God Among Us: Hope

Rev. Jasmine Smart

INVITATION

THE THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION

As you come forward for communion, please bring your 2025 pledge card and place in the basket in front of the chancel. If you've already returned your pledge, please use one of the "I've already pledged" cards found in your pew.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty God, we thank you for this sacred meal and all the gifts You have given us: all that we have and all that we are. Most of all, we thank You for Jesus who is the perfect steward of your gifts. Accept, O God, the tokens of our love and signs of pledge and commitment which we brought forward today. By your word of blessing and grace, may they blossom forth as leaves on a tree, as flowers in our hearts, as blessings in your kingdom, as joy in Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray, Amen.

*** HYMN 93**

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

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BENEDICTION

TITHES AND OFFERING

Your offering for the Kirk's ministry will be received as you leave worship. Our giving is an offering to God. All offerings are part of our worship of God and are used to support the Kirk's ministry. Text "KITH" to 73256 to give using your mobile device.

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