



Varsity Acres Presbyterian Church

One in Christ, Reaching Out to Many
*“VAPC acknowledges that we are gathering on
Treaty 7 lands”*

Advent 1: December 2nd, 2018 10:00am

GOD’S PEOPLE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

*** If you are able, please stand for these parts of worship.**

✚ See service aids card in pew racks for response

Prelude *An Advent meditation* arr.D.Lasky
All earth is hopeful arr.D.Chervien

Life and Work of the Church

Gathering Song 124 vs. 2 *“People in Darkness”*

Call to Worship & Lighting of Candle of Hope (see insert)

*Hymn 126 *On Jordan’s Bank*

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession (unison)

We confess that we are dull to the splendor of your presence and are slow to perceive the new life you offer us. Instead of turning to your light, we remain blinded and live in the darkness. Forgive us for living with shallow hope and narrow expectations.

Awaken us to the glory and splendor of your presence. Revive our hope and reawaken our energy for your purposes so that we may see and rejoice in your kingdom’s coming. Come, Lord Jesus, come. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

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WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD

*Celebration Hymn 119 *Hope Is A Star*

A Time with Young Christians

Scriptures Jeremiah 33: 14-16 p.645
 Luke 21: 7-11, 25-28 p.856

Anthem *Come to us now, Emmanuel* D.Besig/N.Price
 Flute – Deanna McGregor

Sermon “The Faintest Wick”

WE RESPOND IN FAITH AND ACTION

Presentation of Offerings

Offertory *Blest be the God of Israel* J.Weber

*Doxology 830
 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.

*Prayer of Dedication

* Apostles’ Creed #539

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Table
 Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (see handout for sung responses)
 Sharing of the Bread and Wine
 Prayer

* Hymn 120 *Lo! Christ Comes With Clouds Descending*

*Commission and Benediction

*Choral Amen

*Choral Blessing

Postlude *Wake, awake for night is flying* R.Hobby