

Song *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

Chorus: **Rejoice! Rejoice!**
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

Words of Institution

Distribution of Elements

Prayer of Gratitude

Parting Hymn

My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout
(Canticle of the Turning)

***Charge and Benediction**

Passing of the Peace

Postlude

*Please stand if you're comfortable doing so.
BOLD signifies congregational participation.

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PH – Presbyterian Hymnal



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Celebration of Worship
December 3, 2017
Second Sunday in Advent

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements Rev. gretchen Sausville

Prelude

Advent Candle Lighting (the candle of Peace)

***Gathering Song** **Creator of the Stars of Night**

Opening Prayer

Sing **O Come, O Come, Emmanuel**

First Scripture Lesson Psalm 100 OT 552

Congregational Singing **Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates**

Second Scripture Lesson Isaiah 64:1-9 OT 694

Proclaiming

Anthem **Comfort, Comfort** -arr. Ferguson
Voice of the Spirit

Sermon **FOR GOD: THE MAN WHO INVENTED CHRISTMAS?**
Reverend gretchen Sausville

Responding

***Hymn**

While We Are Waiting, Come

Offering

Invitation to Give

Offertory Music

Prayer Requests Collected

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Gracious God, we give our best to You, not out of guilt or fear, but with gratitude and faith. You have been our support in times of need. Every breath we take is a gift from You. We would be awake and watchful for opportunities to make a difference, to help others be alert for Your presence, to value life in all its fullness, and to learn to care. We dedicate these symbols of thankfulness and all the days of our lives to those purposes. Amen.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We welcome to the table all who desire a closer relationship with our Lord, remembering that access is not a right conferred upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. Baptized children are invited and anyone whose trust is wavering is assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ. As you receive the bread, please partake as the Spirit leads you. The bread in the paper cups is wheat/gluten free. When you receive the cup, please hold it and we will all drink together.

Invitation to the Table

Song

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving