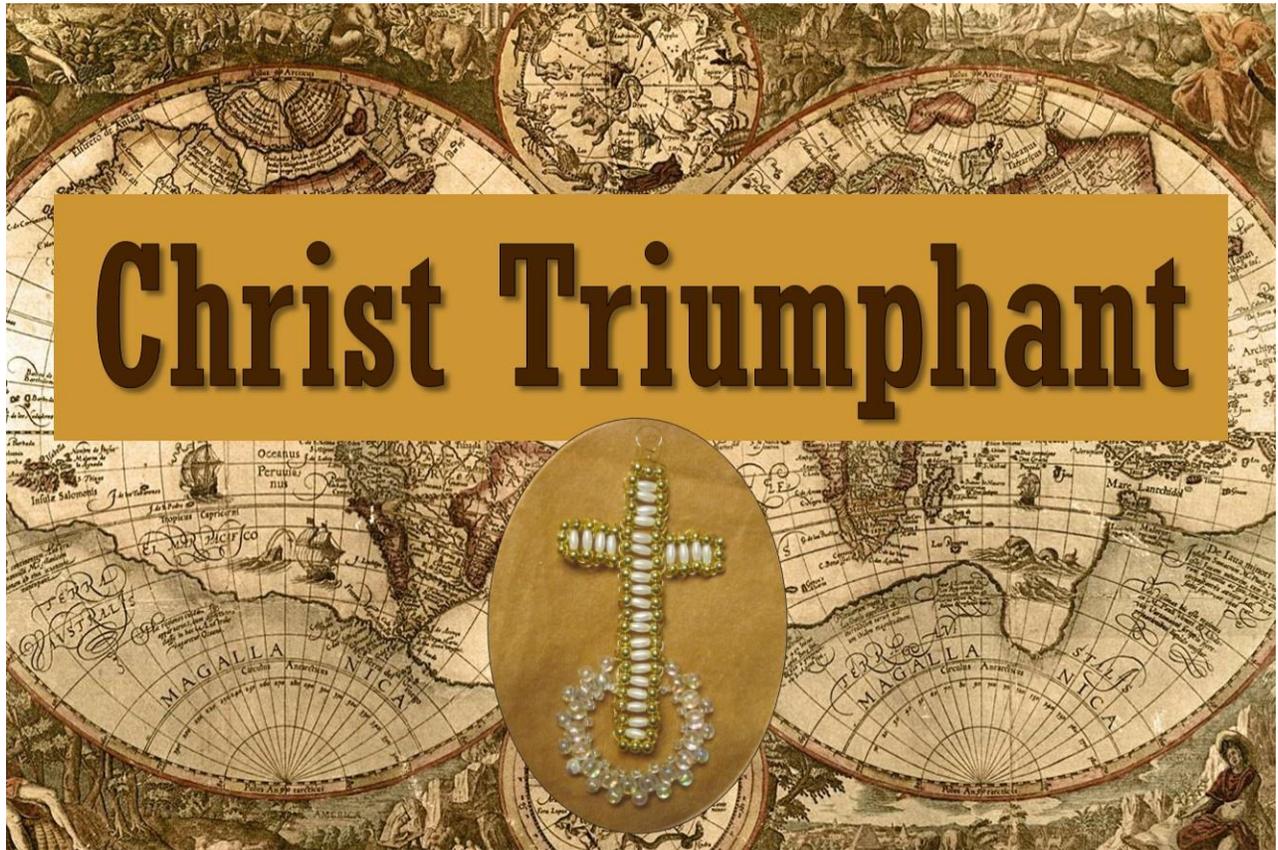


**Second Sunday in Advent  
December 8, 2019  
“Triumphant Over Division”**



# Christ Triumphant



**Delta Presbyterian Church**

**Strengthening** Christ in us  
**Sharing** Christ among us  
**Showing** Christ around us

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**Order of Worship**  
**Sunday, December 8, 2019**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent**

Prelude

Frederick Isaac, Pianist

Tolling of the Bells

**Gathering for Worship**

\*\*Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Meredith Jackson, Lay Leader

Hymn: **Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus** (vs 1)

Scripture **Isaiah 11:1-10**

(Leader) Advent is a season of waiting, waiting for Christ's triumphant return, and waiting to celebrate Christ's coming into the world at Christmas. Hear these words from the prophet Isaiah.

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

**<sup>2</sup> The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.**

**<sup>3</sup> His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.**

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide by what his ears hear;

**<sup>4</sup> but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;  
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.**

**<sup>5</sup> Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.**

**<sup>6</sup> The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,  
and a little child shall lead them.**

**<sup>7</sup> The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together;  
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.**

**<sup>8</sup> The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.**

**<sup>9</sup> They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD  
as the waters cover the sea.**

**<sup>10</sup> On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him,  
and his dwelling shall be glorious.**

Today we light the first candle on the advent wreath to remind us of the light of hope coming into the world. The second candle on the advent wreath reminds us of the light of peace.

Hymn **Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus** (vs. 3 4)

## Strengthening Christ in Us

Prayer of Confession (follow Prayer of Confession on the screen)

**God of peace, we confess  
that there are divisions we don't want to heal,  
people we don't want to be around,  
and even people we would like to see suffer.  
Forgive us, we pray.  
Give us the courage to show your love and grace in a divided world.**

*Time for silent prayer.*

We commit ourselves to

**Strengthening Christ in us,  
Sharing Christ among us,  
Showing Christ around us.  
Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

The wilderness will rejoice; the dry land will blossom.

**The people of God will return with joy and singing.**

In the name of Jesus Christ,

**we are forgiven!**

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

\*\*Passing of the Peace

\*\*Response **Joy to the World** (vs. 3)

Scripture Lesson **Romans 15:4-13** (NRSV)

Anthem **Do You Hear What I Hear?**

Celebration Choir

Children's Sermon

Hymn **I've Got Peace like a River** (vs. 1)  
(Children may go downstairs for Sunday School.)

Proclamation of the Word **Triumphant Over Division**

Rev. Wendy S. Pratt

They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord  
as the waters cover the sea. Isaiah 11:9

\*\*Affirmation of Faith **Apostle's Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
and in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,**





## Welcome to Delta Presbyterian Church!

We are pleased to have you worshipping with us this morning. We provide this information to help you fully participate in the worship of God. Please take a moment to sign the guest book on the stand in the back of the sanctuary (worship space) to the left of the drinking fountain.

We invite you to stay for our fellowship time following the service. Feel free to help yourself to the coffee and hot water (for tea) that is available in the back of the sanctuary before and after worship.

Everything you need to participate in worship is on the screen. If you are able, you are invited to stand when the congregation stands.

Restrooms are in the back of the sanctuary on the left.

There is information on the activities at Delta on the counter in the Commitment Center. The Commitment Center is on your left as you leave the sanctuary.

We welcome the sound of children in worship. If your young child is distracting to **you**, you are welcome to do any of the following:

- Get up and move to the back. The colorful bags have small items designed to keep children busy. They are welcome to play with them on the floor in front of the Commitment Center, or you may take the bags to your seats.
- There is a nursery available downstairs. Exit the sanctuary via the door on the right and go straight down the stairs. The nursery (101) is at the foot of the steps on the right.
- There is a cry room (202) where you can take your child. Instead of going downstairs, go down the hall and the cry room is on the right. You can view the worship service through a window. The cry room is equipped with a changing table.

Preschool through early elementary children are dismissed following the Children's Sermon. They may either return to their seats, go to Sunday School (Room 107, downstairs), or go to the PrayGround at the front of the church. Older elementary and youth are dismissed during the offering to go down to the gathering room, except when there is a Fellowship Meal following worship.

### Church Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday, 9:00am – 3:00pm

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