



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Corning, New York

"I, the Lord your God, hold your right hand;
it is I who say to you, 'Do not fear, I will help you.'"
Isaiah 41:13

November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent
Tidings of Comfort and Joy

10:30 a.m.

THE ORDER OF PUBLIC WORSHIP OF ALMIGHTY GOD

If you would like to share a joy or concern for prayer during the service,
please submit it by commenting on the video live-stream.
We will do our best to include it in the Prayer of the Church, but please be patient with us.

PRELUDE

David Smith

WELCOME

Pastor Jeff

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

Rose Houser



CALL TO CONFESSION

Pastor Jeff

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God-with-us, even in Advent, we confess that you can seem far away. You are hidden when we need you near. In our hurt, doubt, and fear, we do not try to draw closer to you; instead, we lash out—against you, our neighbor, even those we love. Forgive us, we pray, and come to save us! Let your face shine until our tears are dried, our sins are faded, and our hope is restored. After all, we belong to you, and in your hands, we can be made new.

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S PARDON

Pastor Jeff

GLORIA PATRI (No. 579, The Hymnal)

David Smith

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Pastor Jeff

SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN “Rainbow Fish to the Rescue”

Pastor Jeff

by Marcus Pfister (Author), J Alison James (Translator)

MUSICAL OFFERING

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

Ernie Dansforth

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rose Houper

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Isaiah 2:1-5

Rose Houper

Romans 5:1-11

Pastor Jeff

THEME

“God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlefolk” (v. 1 & Chorus)

SERMON

“Tidings of Comfort & Joy”

Pastor Jeff

REPRISE

“God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlefolk” (Chorus)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed

Rose Houper

DOXOLOGY

David Smith

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor Jeff

THE LORD’S PRAYER (in unison)

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.

BENEDICTORY SONG

“God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlefolk”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2020

- Special Meeting of the Congregation to be held TODAY, Sunday, November 29, 2020, at 3:00 pm on Zoom to conduct the following items of business: 1) Approval of online meeting policy for congregational meetings; and 2) Nomination and election of church officers.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88012397581?pwd=WGhwcUFMVmZ2U3ozUzU3OSt3UG56Zz09>

Meeting ID: 880 1239 7581

Passcode: 1867

Dial by your location

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 880 1239 7581

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88012397581?pwd=WGhwcUFMVmZ2U3ozUzU3OSt3UG56Zz09>

- Wednesdays at 11:00 am please join our church family for Bible Study as Pastor Jeff hosts an open forum on the Book of "Famous" Amos on Zoom. Here is the link for video chat: <https://zoom.us/j/498582756>. For those participating by voice-only over their phones, please dial 646-558-8656 and enter meeting ID 498 582 756 when prompted, followed by #, and enter Passcode: 1812.
- Thursdays at 11:00 am, is Online Fellowship Time on Zoom. Here is the link for video chat: <https://zoom.us/j/6792364111>. For those participating by voice-only over their phones, please dial 646-558-8656 and enter meeting ID 679 236 4111 when prompted, followed by #, and enter Passcode: 1812.
- November Harvest Food Collection: You can still make a donation to the November Harvest Food Collection to benefit the Corning Community Food Pantry until the end of the month.
- Christmas Dinner Fund: Thank you to everyone who has made contributions to this years modified Christmas Dinner Fund. Donations can still be mailed and dropped off to the church office by next Sunday, December 6.
- Chicken Stuffing Collection: The Salvation Army is in need of **60** boxes of **chicken stuffing** for food bags going to Dayspring residents. Please bring your donations to the church office by Sunday, December 13.
- Annual Mitten Tree Collection: Give the Gift of Warmth this year. Help us decorate the mitten tree benefitting the Salvation Army. Donations of new mittens, gloves, hats, and scarves will be collected through December 18. Drop off your donations to the church office or church mail slot.



OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 30, 2020

Tuesday	Dec 1	6:30 p.m.	Mission & Outreach Committee
Wednesday	Dec 2	11:00 a.m.	Online Bible Study Time on Zoom The Book of AMOS (see recurring links under announcements)
Thursday	Dec 3	11:00 a.m.	Online Fellowship Time on Zoom (see recurring links under announcements)
		5:30 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
Friday	Dec 4	- - -	Church Office Closed
Next Sunday:	Dec 6	10:30 a.m.	ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICES

Communion Sunday
Our Facebook Page
www.fb.me/CorningFirstPresby
on The YouTube Channel:
www.bit.ly/CorningWorship

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Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
(closed 12 - 1 for lunch)

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Web Page: www.corningpresby.org



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