

First Sunday of Advent

The Hanging of the Greens

November 29, 2015

Color: Violet

Today is the beginning of Advent. This is a season to prepare for the coming of the Lord. We hang greens in our sanctuary to remind us that life never ends for the believer.

PRELUDE: Come and enter the presence of God and prepare yourself for worship. Join us in enjoying God's presence as Jayne Thompson and our worship team leads us in songs of praise.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

 **OPENING SONG OF WORSHIP:** Lord I Lift

THE PROCESSIONAL AND ILLUMINATION

CALL TO WORSHIP: (responsively)

Leader: Now is the time, let us pause.

All: As we wait, may we hear the voice of God.

Leader: Now is the time, let us watch.

All: In our homes, at our work, even while waiting in line –may we see the face of Christ.

Leader: Now is the moment, let us prepare our hearts.

All: In our words, in our hearts, in all we say and do, may God's extravagant love shine through us

 **SONGS OF WORSHIP**

10000 Reasons, Cares Chorus

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

Pastor Cal

OUR GIFTS TO GOD ARE CALLED FORTH

Invitation

Offerings to God

Offertory: Come Sing Unto The Lord



Doxology

HYMN # 95



Prayer of Dedication

HANGING OF THE GREENS LITANY

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LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

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Today we welcome the Price family to light the first candle, The candle of Hope.

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

SONG OF MEDITATION: O Worship the King **HYMN # 73**

PRAYER TIME:

We share words of celebration and thanksgiving

We share our prayer needs and petitions

Pastor: The Lord is with you.

Congregation: And also with you

Pastor: Lord have mercy.

Congregation: Christ have mercy.

Pastor: Let us pray

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER (trespasses)

SCRIPTURE:

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 117 **PEW BIBLE 531**

New Testament Lesson Acts 16:16-25 **PEW BIBLE 963**

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.



GLORIA PATRI

HYMN # 71

THANKSGIVING SERIES: Power in Praise **PASTOR CAL**

TODAY'S MEDITATION: When Is The Right Time To Worship?



CLOSING HYMN:

Angels from the Realms of Glory

HYMN # 220

THE RECESSIONAL
BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE



Please join in standing together as one

Thank You for turning off your cell phones and
Bringing only water into the sanctuary ☺

Thank you to the Volunteer, Worship Leaders

November 29, 2015

Greeters: Jim & Paula Whitaker
Ushers: Mark & Denise Price
Co-leader: S. Mark Price

December 6, 2015

Greeters:
Mark & Cindy Landanno
Ushers:
Rob Duval & Cheri Comer
Co-leader: Bud Fletcher

Pastor: F. Calvin Miller
Senior Deacon: S. Mark Price
Children's Ministry: Brandy Wood
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Church Sexton: James Lemmer
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