

Covenant Congregational Church Second Sunday of Advent		
Worship Service	December 7, 2025	10:30 a.m.
PRELUDE	Waiting for Messiah – arr. Thygerson	
WELCOME	Ernie Ortega	
Announcements		
Introit	Gloria! – Wagner	
GATHERING		
*Call to Worship		
Hear the words that bring peace from the prophet Isaiah:		
“Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.”		
Hear Mary, proclaiming her message of peace:		
“Our Creator has brought down rulers from their thrones		
but has lifted up the humble.”		
*Opening Hymn	O Come, O Come Emmanuel	#120
*Invocation		
Greeting One Another		
PROCLAMATION		
Lighting of the Advent Candles	Joe & Lisa Comeau	
Choral Anthem	Christmas Communion Song – Callaway	
Children’s Message	Blessing the Seafarer’s Boxes	
Dismissal Blessing of the Children		
Congregation: The Lord be with you.		
Children: And also with you!		
Scripture Readings	Bob Buckley	
Psalm Reading: Psalm 72: 1-7, 18-19		
Gospel Reading: Matthew 3: 1-12		
Response:	The Word of the Lord.	
	Thanks be to God.	
Sermon	Isaiah 11: 1-10	Pastor Ryan
RESPONSE		
Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer		
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 sins		
as we forgive those who sin against us.		
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil,		
for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.		

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory Anthem	God with Us	Screen
* Advent Doxology		
Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;		
Praise Him all Creatures here below;		
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host;		
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!		
Rejoice! Rejoice!		
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!		
*Prayer of Dedication		
The Sacrament Of Holy Communion**		
Invitation to the Lord's Supper		
Hymn of Preparation	Wait for the Lord	#143
Confession of Sin and Words of Assurance		
*Affirmation of Faith		
I believe in God, the Father Almighty,		
maker of heaven and earth		
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;		
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,		
born of the Virgin Mary,		
suffered under Pontius Pilate,		
was crucified, dead, and buried;		
He descended into hades;		
the third day He rose again from the dead;		
He ascended into heaven,		
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;		
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.		
I believe in the Holy Spirit;		
the holy Christian Church;		
the communion of saints;		
the forgiveness of sins;		
the resurrection of the body;		
and the life everlasting. Amen.		
Words of Institution		
Sharing the Bread and Cup	Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming - arr. Hayes	
Prayers of Thanksgiving		
SENDING		
*Closing Hymn	Lift Up Your Heads to the Coming King	#33
*Benediction		
(Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.)		
POSTLUDE		
Prepare the Way – Ben Logan		
*Please stand as able.		
**Holy Communion at Covenant Congregational Church is open to all who confess Jesus as Savior and seek to follow him as Lord. Others, including children, are welcome to come forward to receive grapes as a sign that the Lord calls all people to himself. Individuals may also remain seated.		

Worship Participants

Co-Pastors.....	Rev. Dr. Devyn Chambers Johnson and Rev. Ryan Chambers Johnson
Greeters.....	Heather Willis and Bob Hall
Worship Leader.....	Ernie Ortega
Acolytes.....	Carter and Caroline Ernst
Usher.....	Melissa Gallinaro
Scripture Reader.....	Bob Buckley
Worship Band.....	Chris Allison, Vicky Papetti, Marlena Silva, Tony Ivaldi, Jeff Burton, Peter Fredericksen and Pastor Ryan
Choir Director/Piano.....	Alice Fu
Violin.....	Vicky Papetti
Flute.....	Lou Ann Falls
Bass.....	Chris Allison
Clarinet/Saxophone.....	Alex West
Organ.....	Susan Santry
A.V. Tech Team.....	Jeff Burton, Dave Sproul, Adam Buckley and Andrew West
Sanctuary Keepers.....	Rob and Priscilla Driscoll

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*The poinsettias in the sanctuary are given in loving memory of
Nancy Hall, Edith and Eldon Ek, and Victoria and Evald Hall by Bob Hall.*

Children Are Welcome at CCC

We welcome the movement and whispers (that are often louder than whispers) of children in the worship service. In addition:

- Children are welcome to stay in the worship service. There are clipboards with children’s bulletins and activities available in the narthex.
- During worship, children, toddlers through 8th grade, are dismissed to Sunday School classes. Children go to their classrooms and are returned to their parents during the final song of the service. Parents will sign their children in at the table in the narthex and, if they wish, are welcome to accompany them to their classroom to get them settled.
- There is a viewing and play room with a video feed and window into the sanctuary off of the narthex. This is also the meeting room for "wiggle worship" - the class for children, toddler to pre-k, which meets during the second half of worship.

Coffee and refreshments are available after worship in the fireside room. All are welcome!

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*Covenant Congregational Church exists to build a welcoming community
so that all generations can know God, participate freely, and grow in faith together.*

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