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*And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called The Holy Way.*

*Isaiah 35:8*

December 6, 2016  
Second Sunday of Advent

"God's word came to John, son of Zechariah, in the wilderness." Luke 3:2

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**            *Like A River Glorious*            arr. Bob Walters

**INTROIT**            *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*            Chancel Choir

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (Isaiah 40:1-2)

**LEADER:**    Comfort, comfort my people! says your God.

**PEOPLE:**    **Speak compassionately to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her compulsory service has ended,**

**LEADER:**    That her penalty has been paid,

**PEOPLE:**    **That she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins!**

**\*HYMN**            *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*            #347

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord God, we come before You with humility and awe. Your love, proclaimed in the gift of a Savior, speaks powerfully across the centuries. Your love meets us. In our guilt, Your love speaks forgiveness. To our troubled souls and our conflicted hearts, You speak peace that still quiets storms. We trivialize what is sacred. We minimize what is monumental. We can only truly measure the value of our lives by receiving the love You speak in Jesus Christ.

Speak us into joy and new life. Speak us into freedom and generosity. Speak Your love and Your mercy through our love and mercy for one another, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*RESPONSE**    *Glory Be to the Father*            #581

**A TIME OF GREETING**

**ANTHEM**            *Shine, Jesus, Shine!*            Chancel Choir

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** (After the message, children entering the 5<sup>th</sup> grade and younger are invited to attend Sunday School in the Ranch House.)

**CANDLELIGHTING** *Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah* (vv. 1, 2)  
#85

**SCRIPTURE**            (OT p. 889)            Malachi 3:1-4

**HYMN**            *Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn*            #107

**MOMENT FOR MISSION**            Robin Thomas

**OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

**OFFERTORY**            *As A Deer*            arr. Douglas Wagner

**\*DOXOLOGY**            #606

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**SCRIPTURE**            (NT p. 60)            Luke 3:1-6

**SERMON**            "Extra Ordinary"

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**  
(Please hold the elements so all may partake together.)

**OUR CARES AND CELEBRATIONS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**LORD'S PRAYER**            *Amen* #601

**\*HYMN**            *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* (vv. 1-2, 6-7)            #88

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RESPONSE**            *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

**POSTLUDE**            *Soon Very Soon*            arr. Jack Schrader

\* Please stand if you are able.



<b>CALENDAR</b>			
Sun.	Dec. 6	9:30 am 10:45 am 6:00 pm	Worship & Sunday School Communion and Food Bank Sunday Worship Committee Alateen & Al-anon Meetings
Mon.	Dec. 7	9:30 am 11:00 am 1:00 pm	Yoga The Journey Book Club
Tue.	Dec. 8	9:00 am 4:00 pm 6:00 pm	Bible Study Girl Scouts Al-anon Meeting
Thur.	Dec. 10	5:30 pm 6:15 pm	AA Meeting Chancel Choir
Fri.	Dec. 11	1:00 pm	Women's AA Meeting
Sun.	Dec. 13	9:30 am 10:45 am 6:00 pm	Worship & Sunday School Board of Deacons Alateen & Al-Anon

### **SESSION**

Class of 2015	Gerry Pearson	Congregational Life/Memorial
Class of 2015	Wendy Mattias	Administration
Class of 2015	Dougald McIntyre	Administration
Class of 2015	Dudley Williams	Buildings/Grounds/Finance
Class of 2016	Sherry Atleson	Mission/Worship
Class of 2016	Dee Ellis	Christian Education/Deacons
Class of 2016	Sharon Groves	Clerk/Welcome
Class of 2016	Mooneen Ringenberg	Mission/Welcome
Class of 2017	Karl Allen	Christian Education/Worship
Class of 2017	Carol Hearn	Congregational Life/Finance
Class of 2017	Dennis Toresdahl	Buildings/Grounds
Class of 2017	Barbara Armbruster	Congregational Life/Mission

### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Soldiers & Peacemakers – for their physical, mental, and spiritual health.

All the unspoken prayer concerns.

Your prayers this week will give them the sustaining power we all need.  
Please pray for them!

Margaret & Myles Agee – Health Concerns  
Lynn Allen – Health Concerns  
Barbara Armbruster – Health Concerns  
Ruth Ann Beck – Health Concerns  
Ruthann Boyce – Health Concerns  
Dick Canfield (Rich Marsch's uncle) – Health Concerns  
Alex Diaz – Health Concerns  
Dave Malmberg – Health Concerns  
Mary Marsch – Recovering from Knee Surgery  
Toni (Wendy Mattias' friend) – Health Concerns  
Bob Meyerpeter – Health Concerns  
Doug Myers – Recovering from Surgery  
Lyle Olmstead - Health Concerns  
Anita Parsil – Health Concerns  
Betty Reichlein – Health Concerns  
Charles Sayers – Health Concerns  
Gwen Schroyer – Health Concerns  
Anne Trueman – Health Concerns

Our Prayer Chain is always available – contact Phyllis Crouthers at 578-8369 or Anita Parsil at 578-2410. If unable to reach Phyllis or Anita, you can email the church office at [office@holywaypc.org](mailto:office@holywaypc.org).