

*The Federated Church of Hyannis
320 Main Street
Hyannis, Massachusetts*



*Sunday Morning Worship Service
December 10, 2023 ~ 10:00 AM*

The Second Sunday of Advent

~Reminder – please silence all cell phones before the Worship Service begins~

PRELUDE *“I Believe”*, Drake/Graham Roy Campbell

WORDS OF WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE: Peace Carol Wroblewski

**PASSING OF THE PEACE WITH THE CONGREGATION,
PRESENT AND ONLINE**

CHOIR INTROIT *“What Gift Can We Bring Him”*

CALL TO WORSHIP (all)

Reader: Today is the second Sunday of Advent.

**People: We join with a hopeful throng in the lighting of the Advent candles,
symbols of our faith and signs of God’s love.**

Reader: We are a people of faith and hope.

People: Hope lives in us and will abide with us.

Reader: In an age when people so seldom find peace within themselves,
and when all the earth stands under the threat of total annihilation, we
hope and work for peace.

**People: Peace that is not merely the absence of war and conflict, but peace
that is the fullness of blessing for all – that is the peace for which
we dare to hope.**

Leader: Christ comes to bring peace to those who have been separated from God
and one another.

**People: In following Christ’s teachings, we nurture our hope for peace
even today.**

***HYMN #89** *“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

INVOCATION (all)

**Almighty God, light of the world, you caused light to shine out of darkness in
the advent of Jesus Christ. You continually open to us the ways we are to
prepare. We confess our unwillingness to live by the light and to walk in your
ways. We often fail to respond to the needs of others, and our feet have
wandered from the paths of justice and peace. We ask that the spirit of Christ
be born anew within us, and that our hearts be stirred to glorify him with acts
of compassion and service. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (all)

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

ANTHEM

"Star in the Night", L. Spencer

Choir

THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament: Psalm 121

New Testament: Matthew 3:1-6, 13-17

Lay Reader Pam Frazier

Pew Bible page 498

Pew Bible pages 784, 785

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

***HYMN OF REFLECTION #74 "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"**

SERMON

"The Herald of Christ"

Rev. Dr. Paul R. Adkins

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Roy Campbell

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN #121 "Angels We Have Heard on High"**

***BENEDICTION
CHOIR AMEN**

POSTLUDE *“Someone to Watch Over Me”*, G. Gershwin Roy Campbell

**Please stand if you are able*

Please join us for Coffee Hour following the Worship Service.

Mission of the Month

Our Mission for the month of December is to collect new hats and mittens for our local school children. Please bring your items to the church, and they will be delivered to the schools. Thank you, as always, for your generous support.

Thank you from Carol...I wish to THANK all the people who stepped up and helped when I became ill. Helping with the “Christmas Commons Fair” and helping Dot with the Diaconate duties was and is greatly appreciated. I also want to thank the many who sent “Get Well” cards, it was wonderful to feel the love. Thank you all so very much. Carol Wroblewski

This Week

Sunday, December 10 – Worship Service, 10:00 am (BH)
NA 6:00 pm (BH)

Monday, December 11 – AA, 7:30 pm (BMR)

Tuesday, December 12 – Cranberry Chorus, 6:00 (BH)
NA, 7:30 pm (BMR)

Wednesday, December 13 - Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 pm

Saturday, December 16- AA, 12:00 pm (BMR)
NA, 7:30 pm (BMR)

Sunday, December 17 – Worship Service, 10:00 am (BH)
Diaconate Meeting, 11:30 am (P)
NA 6:00 pm (BMR)

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