

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Fourth Sunday of Advent

PRELUDE*God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen* | Brass

GATHERING

Veiled in DarknessChoir

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Call to Worship: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49.....Pastor David Perry

Holy Forever

O Holy Night

Advent Candle LightingOne80 Ministries

Prepare the Way of the Lord

Prayers of the People.....Pastor David Flowers

The Lord's Prayer

Offering.....*Evermore* | Choir

HEARING THE WORD

Sermon.....Pastor Melissa Lowther

RESPONDING

Go Tell It On The Mountain

SENDING

Benediction

SERMON granthamchurch.org/sermons



Witnesses Testifying to the Light

JOHN 1:6-9, 19-34
LUKE 7:18-23

John the Baptist knew his identity and calling. He says “I am not the Messiah” and he points beyond himself to Jesus. The Gospel of John says that the wilderness prophet wasn’t the light but came “as a witness to the light.” Advent prepares us not only to receive Christ but to reflect and testify to his light in the world. In the fourth message of our series, Pastor Melissa invites us to bear witness to the light of Christ amid doubt and darkness.

PREPARE THE WAY FOR THE LORD *current series*

This Advent season, we’ll journey with John the Baptist—the prophet who prepared the way for Jesus’ coming. Through his message of repentance, grace, and renewal, we’ll discover what it means to prepare our hearts for Christ’s arrival and to live as witnesses of his light. Each week invites us deeper into the hope, peace, joy, and love of Advent, leading to the celebration of Christ’s birth and the call to let his life increase in us. Join us for this Advent-Christmas series, as we prepare the way for the Lord—then go forth as a people ready to follow Jesus and share his light with the world.

WORSHIP RESOURCES

WANT TO JOIN A SMALL GROUP?

If you are interested in joining with others to share life and dive deeper into the sermon and what it means for our lives, go to our website to learn more about getting connected (granthamchurch.org/discipleship).

WORSHIP RESOURCES granthamchurch.org/sermons

Sermons are posted online every Monday along with small group discussion questions and other sermon resources (e.g. sermon slides, sermon audio, service video, etc.).

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EVENTS granthamchurch.org/events



TODAY

Fellowship Mealafter service
Longest Night Service7PM

THIS WEEK

Christmas EveWED, DEC 24, 6:30PM
Office ClosedTHUR, DEC 25-JAN 1

NEXT SUNDAY December 28

Philatheat Learning Community9AM
Worship Service10:30AM
Kids Own Worship.....10:45AM

SAVE THE DATE

The Sermon on the Mount, Part 2.....SUN, JAN 4
BIC Week of Prayer & Fasting.....JAN 4-11
Moms Together.....WED, JAN 7, 9:30AM
Lunch & Learn: Estate Planningafter service
GriefWork Support Group BeginsWED, JAN 14, 6:30PM
Interest Meeting: Small & Intentional Discipleship Groups
SUN, JAN 18, 12PM
Worship Ministry RetreatSAT, JAN 24, 9AM

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David Flowerssenior pastor
Melissa Lowtherdiscipleship pastor
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GIVING, ATTENDANCE, & VIEWS

GENERAL FUND GIVING

Year to Date Budget \$945,154
Year to Date Giving \$922,521

LAST WEEK

Giving \$18,472
Attendance 276
Livestream 173