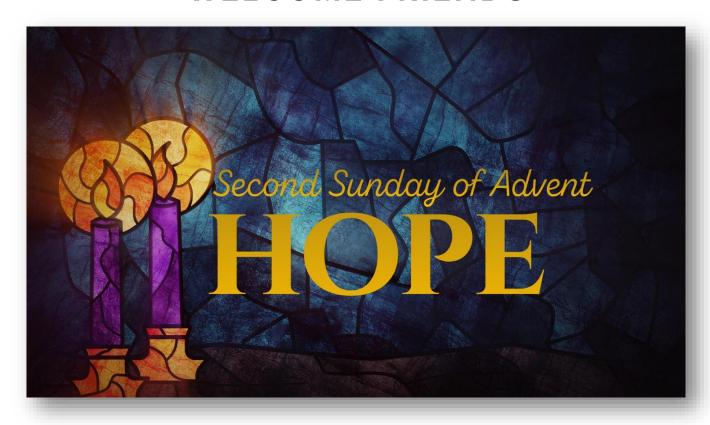
## WELCOME FRIENDS



# First Presbyterian Church of Ambler December 7, 2025 9:00 am Traditional Worship

Children are always welcome in worship.

Activity packets and sensory toys are available in the Narthex.

**PRELUDE** 

Joseph est Bien Marie Claude Balbastre

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come to prepare the way;

All: The way for Christ –

Leader: the hope of Christ, the peace of Christ –

All: to enter our world,

to enter our hearts.

Leader: We cry out together in the wilderness:

All: The kingdom of heaven has come near.

Leader: We come to be part of the light—

All: the light that shines in the darkness.

\*HYMN #106

Prepare the Way, O Zion

**OPENING PRAYER** 

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*REFRAIN FROM "O Come All Ye Faithful"

Oh come let us adore Him Oh come let us adore Him Oh come let us adore Him Christ the Lord!

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHORAL ANTHEM

An Advent Alleluia

arr. Keith Christopher

Sanctuary Choir

Salvation is created.

O Lord, God, Almighty, we offer praise to thee above;

O Lord, holy Lord, God.

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in His hand, Christ our god to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

We offer praise to thee above; O Lord.

Salvation is created. Alleluia.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 11:1-10 NIV

HYMN #102 Savior of the Nations, Come (v1)

1 Savior of the nations, come; virgin's son, make here your home. Marvel now, O heaven and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.

SECOND READING: Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

**HYMN #102** Saviour of the Nations, Come (v2)

2 From God's heart the Savior speeds; back to God his pathway leads; out to vanquish death's command, back to reign at God's right hand.

**THIRD READING: Romans 15:4-13** 

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 3:1-12

**HYMN #102** Savior of the Nations, Come (v3)

3 Now your manger, shining bright, hallows night with newborn light.
Night cannot this light subdue;
let our faith shine ever new.

**MESSAGE:** Fan the Flame of Hope in One Another.

Pastor Morgan Murray

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER** 

HYMN #104 O Lord, How Shall I Meet You (vv 1,2)

#### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY Winds Through the Olive Trees Dale Wood

\*DOXOLOGY (Hymn #105 People, Look East, v2)

2 Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is planted there.Give up your strength the seed to nourish, that in course the flower may flourish.People, look east and sing today:Love, the Rose, is on the way.

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*HYMN #96 On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

\*Indicates to please stand if you are able.

POSTLUDE Wake, Awake, for Night is Fleeing

Johann Walther

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