

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Worship December 20, 2020

Prelude Joel Sundseth

Welcome and Announcements Michael McCue

Lighting of the Advent Candles Rachel Neverman and Nathanael Engh

Hymn "In the Bleak Midwinter"
(lyrics and music at end) Tanyia Abel

Prayer of Honesty

Holy One, in the darkening days of Advent we feel the temptation to withdraw and hide in fear. Forgive us when we find ourselves listening to the voices that would rob us of hope. Help us to notice our anxiety; let it remind us that you are already present with us even as we anticipate your coming again. We long to be people of light and pray that our hearts will be opened by the love and compassion you give your people. We lift before you all that holds us back from abundant living.

(Time for silent prayer)

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Response "Jesus, Jesus, O What a Wonderful Child" Joel Sundseth

**Jesus, Jesus, O what a wonderful Child.
Jesus, Jesus, so holy, meek and mild;
New life, new hope, the child will bring.
Listen to the angels sing:
Glory, glory, glory let the heavens ring.**

Scripture Luke 1: 26-38 Michael McCue

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Message Jamie Schultz

Offering Michael McCue

Prayers of the People

Jamie Schultz

All Sing "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (verse 1)

Tanyia Abel

**O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

The Lord's Prayer

Jamie Schultz

**Our Father/Mother 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;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

*Hymn "While Shepherds Watched their Flocks By Night"
(lyrics and music at end)

Joel Sundseth

Charge and Benediction

Jamie Schultz

Response "Gloria In Excelsis Deo" (refrain)

Tanyia Abel

**Gloria in excelsis Deo!
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Time for Fellowship

*Join us for an online
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
7:30 p.m. December 24, 2019
Invite your friends and neighbors
All are welcome*