

## Participating in Worship Today

Piano:	Julie von Eschen
Song Leaders:	Steve & Kelly Brumm
Greeter:	Harland Erfurth
Ushers:	Pete & Delores Way
Reader:	Delores Way
Audio Tech:	Alan Ferguson
Communion Bread:	Phil Leavenworth
Serving Communion:	Steve & Kelly Brumm
Dishwashers:	Pete & Delores Way, Ron Moore + 1
Ministers:	All the people
Pastor:	Brad Brookins



### *The Lord's Prayer*

*Our Father 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*

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...you have found  
favour with God.

The most practical thing is not to weep but to act and to have faith in God's assistance and grace in our trying to do God's will.

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel



# Mt Vernon Zwingli United Church of Christ

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

December 3, 2017

### Greeting

**Silence**     *Hear me Lord, grant me an ease to breathe deeply of this moment...*

### Prelude

*Of the Father's Love Begotten*

### Bringing in the Light

### 1<sup>st</sup> Song

*O Come, Divine Messiah*

### \* The Call

You have brought us to another Advent season, Loving God. The Candle of Love shines on the story of love – the story of Divine Desire needing to be present to us. In joyful anticipation we begin the wait for the celebration of Jesus' birth. Many of us are walking in darkness; some of our own making and some imposed on us. We need the growing light of Advent; we long for the assurance of your presence. Help us to see this light. Help us to *be* this light shining into the world you love we pray. Amen.

### \* The Promise

*Anyone, which means everyone, who is in Christ has become a new creation. The old is finished and gone. Everything has become new. By God's grace we are called, forgiven and made whole...*

## ***Thanks be to God!***

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

### Story Box

### What's Happening

#### Offering

#### Advent Credo

Alan Boesak

It is not true that creation and the human family  
are doomed to destruction and loss –  
This is true...

#### Offertory

*Jesus the Very Thought of Thee*

#### \* Response

***Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow!***

#### \* Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

Holy One, this Advent season we wait in peace, and we give in peace. A peace deeper than our anxiety and fear. A peace growing from our trust in your loving power. Receive these offerings, and use them to bring your peace to our world. *Amen.*

( Joana Harader, spaciousfaith.com)

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Reading

**Isaiah 11. 6-9**

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Song

*The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came*

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Reading

**Luke 1. 26-38**

### Sermon

## **The Table**

### We are invited

### Our Prayers of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

*Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray...*

#### \* Hymn #121 (NCH)

*All Earth is Waiting*

#### \* Benediction

*The love and affection of the angels be to you,  
The love and affection of the saints be to you,  
The love and affection of heaven be to you,  
To guard you and to cherish you.*

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*Please remember with your prayers, cards, and calls:*

Mary Lou Kollath recovering from an accident  
Donna & Roger Stoll  
Winnie Losenegger dealing with continuing back pain  
Justine Schmid's grandson diagnosed with cancer

## **Serving in Worship on December 10, 2017**

Greeter: **1 or 2 Needed**

Ushers: **2 Needed**

Audio Tech: Alan Ferguson

Reader: Palmer Haynes

Communion Bread: Communion Bread

Serving Communion: **2 Needed**

Dishwashers: Schmidts/ **+3 more**

Coffee Hour: POTLUCK!!

**Please remember we are signing up 4 people** to wash dishes after Sunday brunch each week. If you can help, get your name on the signup sheet. Thanks.

**Every Body Yoga** meets in the fellowship hall at noon on Saturdays and at the Energy Center in Mt Horeb on Monday mornings at 9:30 a.m.. Everyone is welcome!

**TREE DECORATING**—After church today grab your food and come join in our annual decorating the tree and the sanctuary.

**We will be collecting new and gently used toys** (and cash donations) for the Verona FFA "Share a Toy" program through December 10. Please place your gifts in the box on the chancel or your money gift in the offering plate with "Share a Toy" on the memo line. Thank you for being so generous. See Judy Edwards if you have any questions.

**The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service** will be at 7:00 p.m. This is one of the best times to invite family and friends who haven't found us yet.

**A large Thank You** to Judy and Larry Hale for bringing in our Christmas Tree again this year. If you'd like to help decorate the tree and the sanctuary please stay after the worship service and join in.

