

Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church

Online Worship Service

January 3, 2021 – 2nd Sunday of Christmas

GATHERING ...

The Ringing of the Bell
Words of Welcome

PREPARING ...

Call to Worship

Grace to you and peace in this New Year.

We will bless God who has blessed us in Christ this Christmas season.

In the birth of Christ we have new life.

We are redeemed as God's own people.

PRAISE BE TO GOD!

Call to Confession and Prayer

God of love and compassion, you are in the world but we do not recognize you. Forgive our lack of insight and open our eyes to see you here and now, that we may receive your grace. As we begin this new year, remembering how you care for us and comfort us by speaking your Love into being, help us to trust in your faithfulness. Help us to be one with Christ and sealed in the Holy Spirit now and always. Hear our silent prayers of return ...

(A Time of Silence for Personal Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Let us speak God's promise, the sign and seal of our redemption:

We have been called by God, claimed by Christ, and set free through the Spirit.

Believe the Good News:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN.

Response, No. 411

Arise, Your Light Is Come! (stanza 1)

FESTAL SONG

Arise, your light is come! The Spirit's call obey;

Show forth the glory of your God, which shines on you today.

HEARING ...

Scripture Reading

Matthew 2: 1-12

Sermon

FIGHT, FLIGHT, OR FOLLOW

Rev. Joel Weible

Anthem

The Work of Christmas

H. THURMAN

RESPONDING ...

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Affirmation of Faith

from A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH

In a broken and fearful world, God's Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace.

In gratitude to God and empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and faithful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and earth, saying: "*Come Lord Jesus!*"

Time of Giving Thanks

Announcements
Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

SENDING ...

Charge and Benediction

Benediction Response

Our flowers this morning are dedicated to the Glory of God

This Week's Birthdays: Jan Beaverson (1/5) Connie Vice (1/5) Lee Goss (1/6)
Danielle McCarson (1/6) Debbie Hicks (1/7) Matt Kingsley (1/7)
Suzanne Lane (1/7) Jim Trimpe (1/7) Jackie Meade (1/9)

To dedicate flowers for an upcoming Sunday, contact the Church Office (241-4326)