

**PEWEE VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
*“Learning, Glorifying, Celebrating, and Following ...”*

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**GATHERING ...**

Gathering Music  
The Ringing of the Bell  
Words of Welcome

**PREPARING ...**

**Prelude**      O Come, All Ye Faithful      arr D. BERGOUT

**The Lighting of the Advent Candle and Opening Prayer**  
Len and Mary Ruth Jagers

**Opening Prayer** (*unison*)

God, you have given us everything. You have held back nothing, not even your son Jesus. Your love never fails, and your mercy is as wide as the sea. This year we lift our voices to tell the right story: Your Kingdom has come, on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

**\*Hymn 88**      O Come, O Come, Emmanuel      VENI EMMANUEL  
(stanzas 1, 5, 6, and 7)

**Call to Confession and Prayer** (*unison*)

Patrick Long  
Holy God, we aspire to love and trust you, but so often we get in the way of ourselves. We see only the deep sadness of the world, and do not notice your people at work amid the sorrow. We assume that things will never get better, and do not see all that is good right now. We close our eyes and complain about the darkness, rather than see the light that shines all around us. Help us, Holy One. Help us to grow in love and trust, in compassion and hope, so that as the Christ Child comes to us once again, we will see him, and know him, and share him. Hear now our silent prayers of return ...

*(A Time of Silence for Personal Confession: Pray the above prayer again, but this time substitute “I, my, and me” for “we, our, and us”.)*

**Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Sisters and brothers in Christ, speak promise:

**People: God loves us. God forgives us.**

Leader: God is coming to us even now to save us.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**ALL: ALLELUIA! AMEN.**

**\*Response 106**      Prepare the Way, O Zion      BEREDEN VAG FOR HERREN  
(stanza 1 only)

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**HEARING ...**

**Sacred Space and Prayers for the Children**      Ashia Stoess

**Anthem**      E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come      PAUL MANZ  
*The Men's Quartet*

**Scripture**      Genesis 1:1-5 and Matthew 5:14-16

**Message**      GO TELL OUR STORY: Tikkun Olam      Rev. Joel Weible

**\*Hymn 136**      Go, Tell It On the Mountain      GO TELL IT

**RESPONDING ...**

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (*unison*)      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 and the Lord's Prayer

## Call to Offering and Offertory

**Offertory**     Masters in the Hall

arr. J. EDWARDS

**\*Doxology 606**     Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDRETH

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

We give you thanks and praise, O God, that you have built us up in faith and bound us together in love. May our offering this morning, too, be used to tell the story of your deep love in this wide world. By your grace, may all that we offer and all that we do show the glory of your name and serve the good of your people through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **SENDING ...**

**\*Hymn 104**     O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

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## **\*Charge and Benediction**

## **The Ringing of the Bell**

**\*Postlude**     People Look East

arr. F.D. ASHDOWN

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*\*Please stand in body or spirit*

## ***IN CASE YOU MISSED IT.***

Rev. Joel Weible's sermons are posted on our website each week at [PeweeValleyPresbyterian.org](http://PeweeValleyPresbyterian.org) under the "Media" tab.

## **Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church**



***ADVENT 2022: Go Tell!***

## **Sunday Morning Worship**

November 27, 2022 – First Sunday of Advent