#### PEWEE VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Learning, Glorifying, Celebrating, and Following ..."

#### GATHERING ...

Gathering Music The Ringing of the Bell Words of Welcome

## PREPARING ...

**Prelude** Ave Generosa

arr. OLA GJEILO

# The Lighting of the Advent Candle and Opening Prayer

Tom and Mary Sue Armour

## **Opening Prayer** (unison)

We make a joyful noise to you, O God, because you have done marvelous things. We join the chorus and add our voice to the never ending story of your love incarnate, in each one of us and far beyond. Amen.

\*Hymn 83 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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

Loving God, in baptism you unite us with those who confess your name; but we struggle to sing your song of Love. We presume and assume so much about others and fail to pause on our way, to offer guidance, to take time to listen. Forgive us, God! Make us bold to share your promise with words and welcome those who know our faith only through what they observe in us. Give us the courage to join the chorus and sing loudly of your healing love. Here 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: Beloved siblings 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 Rev. Joel Weible

**Anthem** O How Joyfully JOHN LEAVITT

**Scripture** Luke 2:8-14 (15-20)

Message GO TELL: JOIN THE CHORUS! Rev. Joel Weible

\*Hymn 611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee HYMN TO JOY

#### 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** Gesù Bambino

James Bates, Trumpet

arr. CHIP DAVIS

\*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.

\*\* Election of ELDER CLASS of 2025: Please see Insert \*\*

#### SENDING ...

\*Hymn 93 <u>Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates</u> TRURO

\*Charge and Benediction

The Ringing of the Bell

\*Postlude The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came arr. F.D. ASHDOWN

\*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 under the "Media" tab.

## **Christmas Eve Services**

**5:00 p.m. – Annual Carol Sing** (Arrive early as pews fill up)

**5:30 p.m. – Communion Candlelight Service** (by Intinction)

11:00 p.m. – Service of Lessons and Carols Candlelight Service

# **Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church**



ADVENT 2022: Go Tell!

**Sunday Morning Worship**December 11, 2022 – Third Sunday of Advent