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• Come to Us, Emmanuel •



**Advent 2023 at 10:00 am**

*Serving Christ & the Upper Tincum  
Community for 170 years*

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Guest Pastors

Guest Musicians

**PRELUDE** – *Time for Reflection & Meditation*

**WELCOME** – *Greetings to everyone present and on-line*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who opens the heavens and draws near to us with salvation.

**C Amen.**

P God is patient and merciful, desiring all to come to repentance. Trusting this promise of grace, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Everlasting God,

**C you love justice and you hate wrongdoing.**

**We confess the fear, greed, and self-centeredness that make us reluctant to work against oppression.**

**We are complicit in systems of exploitation.**

**We choose comfort over courage.**

**We are careless with creation's bounty.**

**Look upon us with mercy.**

**Turn our hearts again to you.**

**Make us glad to do your will and to walk in your ways for the sake of our waiting world.**

P Hear these words of assurance:

God clothes you with garments of salvation and covers you with robes of righteousness.

In the tender compassion of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

God's covenant is eternal, and God's blessing rests upon us all.

**C Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN** (*see insert*)

**GREETING**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray, (*see insert*)

**C Amen.**

**THE ADVENT HYMN – “O Come, O Come Emmanuel” #34**  
*(1 vs. each week)*

**THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH CANDLE**

**FIRST READING** *(see insert)*

L Word of God. Word of life.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM** Read responsively *(see insert)*

**SECOND READING** *(see insert)*

L Word of God. Word of life.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL** *(see insert)*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. \_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_ chapter.

**C Glory to you O Lord.**

P The gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you O Christ.**

**THE MEDITATION** – Guest Pastor

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *(see insert)*

**SHARING THE PEACE**

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

*Please greet each other with a **contact-free** sign of Christ's peace.*

**TIME FOR OFFERING**

**OFFERING PRAYER**

P God our provider,

by your merciful hand

abundance springs up from the earth.

Receive and bless these gifts of your own bounty.

Let them be a sign of your steadfast love

and faithfulness for all people,

through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**C Amen.**

**APOSTLES CREED**

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of  
heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and  
born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose  
again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at  
the right hand of the Father. He will come again to  
judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the  
resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (see insert)**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**P** Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C** Our Father, 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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass 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 and ever. Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

**P** The God of peace bless you,  
the love of Christ sustain you in hope,  
and the anointing of the Spirit ✠ remain upon you  
now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## **CLOSING HYMN (see insert)**

### **DISMISSAL**

**P** Go in peace. Keep awake.

**C** Thanks be to God.

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