

  
CAHABA SPRINGS  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



*Lessons and Carols*

December 4, 2022

11:00 a.m.

# Cahaba Springs Presbyterian Church

The Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022

Liturgists: deNay Kirkpatrick, CRE/ PC(USA),  
Julie Helmers

## Gathering of the People

*\*Please stand, as you are able*

**Welcome to Worship**

Julie Helmers

**Prelude**

*Of the Father's Love Begotten*

arr. Mary Ellen Kerrick

DIVINIUM MYSTERIUM

Of the Father's love begotten, ere the worlds began to be,  
He is Alpha and Omega, He the source, the ending He.  
Evermore and evermore, Amen.

**Lighting the second candle of ADVENT**

Christy and Randy Little

Leader: As we light this advent candle,

**All: Light of the world, shine on us.**

Leader: As we continue our journey through Advent.

**All: Light of the world, shine on us.**

Leader: In this world of pain and darkness,

**All: Light of the world, shine through us.**

Leader: To all the people who don't know you,

**All: Light of the world, shine through us.**

Leader: As we prepare our hearts for your coming,

**All: Light of the world, light the way.**

Leader: In our worship here today

**All: Light of the world, light the way.**

**Opening Prayer**

**\*Advent Hymn 459**

*O Word of God Incarnate*  
(verse 1 and 3)

MUNICH

**Offertory**

*Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

arr. John Innes  
Michael Praetorius, 1609

**\*The Doxology**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**ADVENT**  
**Lessons and Carols**  
*Prepare the Way of the Lord*

**Advent Prayer**

deNay Kirkpatrick

**Prelude**

***Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring***

J. S. Bach

from the Cantata BWV 147

Joe Carter, organ Kay Carter, piano

Jesu, joy of man's desiring, holy wisdom, love most bright.

Word of God, our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life impassioned.

Through the way where hope is guiding; hark, what peaceful music rings.

Thou dost ever lead Thine own, in the love of joys unknown.

**Lesson One**

**Isaiah 40: 1 - 5**

deNay Kirkpatrick

**Colossians 1: 25 - 27**

**Anthem**

***Come, Messiah!***

Lloyd Larson

O come, Divine Messiah, the world in silence waits the day

When hope shall sing its triumph, and sorrows flee away.

O come, Desire of nations, whom priest and prophet long foretold,

And break the chains that bind us, redeem your long-lost fold.

Come, Messiah! Dispel our night with the dawn of grace.

Come, Messiah! We long to see your face.

Come, Messiah, come!

O come, dear Child of promise, for lowly shall Your cradle be;

Though clothed in human likeness, we shall the Godhead see!

Come, Messiah! Dispel our night with the dawn of grace.

Come, Messiah! We long to see your face.

Come, Messiah, come!

**Lesson Two**

**Isaiah 11: 1-2, 6**

Julie Helmers

\* Advent Carol 88

***O Come, O Come, Emmanuel***

VENI EMMANUEL

verses 1 and 6

Anthem

*Jacob's Star*

Michael Card/Scott Brasher

Julie Helmers, soloist

A fire, a light, a shining star, a sign to those who journeyed far,  
 a token from the King of Heaven, a spark as to the Light of the world.  
 A beacon burning in the night, a star to echo endless light,  
 a darkened world, a light from a stable,  
 and high above the heavens ablaze.  
 A star will rise from Jacob's house, a scepter out of Israel.  
 And though you are the least in Judah,  
 o'er thee, O Bethlehem, His light will shine.  
 A light of hope to everyone, a light outshining every sun,  
 a Light the world has not comprehended,  
 a Light that is this Holy Babe.

Lesson Four

Matthew 2: 6

deNay Kirkpatrick

Anthem

*Hope, Peace, Joy and Love*

Joseph Martin

Hope is like a candle burning in the night. Hope paints every shadow with its gentle light.  
 glowing like a promise till our faith is sight. Hope is like a candle in the night.  
 Peace is like sweet music sounding pure and strong, singing songs of comfort when the night is long.  
 Turning drums of hatred into heaven's song, peace is like sweet music pure and strong.  
 Joy is like a flower blooming in the soul, sending forth its fragrance to heal and make us whole.  
 And when bitter winds are blowing, when birds refuse to sing, joy can turn our winter into spring.  
 Love is like a diamond wrapped in purest gold. Nothing is more precious, nothing bought or sold.  
 Pearl of heaven's glory, wondrous to behold, love is like a diamond wrapped in gold.  
 Joy is like a flower, Peace is like sweet music, Hope is like a candle in the night.

Lesson Five

Micah 5: 2, 4-5

Julie Helmers

Carol 121

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*  
verses 1 and 3

ST. LOUIS

Narration

deNay Kirkpatrick

**Anthem**

***In the Bleak Midwinter***

Gustav Holst  
arr. Bradley Ellingboe

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan.  
Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone:  
Snow had fallen, snow on snow, in the bleak midwinter, long ago.  
Heaven cannot hold Him, nor earth sustain;  
heaven and earth shall flee away when He comes to reign.  
In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed,  
the Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.  
What can I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd,  
I would bring a lamb. If I were a wise man, I would do my part:  
Yet what I can, I give Him: Give my heart.

**Lesson Six**

**I John 4: 9 – 12**

Julie Helmers

**Anthem**

***Heaven's Love***  
Kay Carter, soloist

Stan Pethel

Heaven's love came to earth as a child, Heaven's love and He knew all the while;  
He had come our sacrifice to be, that the world would see.  
Heaven's love, there so freely bestowed, heaven's love  
that all people could know of God's grace and mercy from above,  
Jesus is heaven's love. Love unbounded, love divine, love enough for all mankind.  
In this Child of lowly birth, heaven's love comes to earth.  
Heaven's love came to earth as a Child, and He knew all the while,  
He had come to earth our sacrifice to be, that the world would see  
Heaven's love freely bestowed, heavn's love that all people could know  
of God's grace and mercy from above, Jesus is heaven's love.

**Closing Prayer**

deNay Kirkpatrick

**Advent Hymn 630**

***Fairest Lord Jesus***  
verses 1 and 4

CRUSADER'S HYMN

## Sending God's People into the World

### \*Charge and Blessing

deNay Kirkpatrick

And now, may He, who by His incarnation gathered us into one,  
grant you the fullness of peace and joy this Advent season.  
And may the blessing of God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
be with you now and always. Amen.

### Choral Benediction

*May the Light of Christ*

Tom Fettke

### Postlude

*Swiss Noel*

Louis Claude d'Aquin



*The flowers in the Narthex this morning are given  
in honor of George and Lynda McLean,  
and Margaret Linville  
and in memory of John Holcomb  
by Joe and Kay Carter*

***Presented by:*** The Cahaba Springs Chancel Choir

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