

Seymour Christian Reformed Church

First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2019

9:30 AM Worship

If you are a newcomer to Seymour Church we want you to know that you are very welcome here. If you have any questions about our family of God or are interested in affiliating with our congregation, Pastor Brian White would be delighted to talk with you. Please leave your contact information on the Friendship Register or connect with him at 616-245-8726 or brian@seymourchurch.org.

Bold Print: Congregation participates audibly; *congregation stands, if possible.

We Gather

Prelude: "A Luther Carol" Young
Bach/Caudill
Sanctuary Choir
 "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"
 "Prepare the Way of the Lord" *(based on Isaiah 40:3)*

Welcome Sanctuary Choir

Call to Worship: "He's Here"

Lighting of the Advent Candle: The Prophet's Candle
(congregational responses will be projected)

*Call to Worship: "He's Here"

*God's Greeting: Romans 15:13

*Song of Advent: "Hark, the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes" Red 60:1, 2, 4

*Welcome / Mutual Greeting
 The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

*Song of Worship: "King of Kings"
 "Emmanuel"

Invitation to Children: "Silent Night" Red 85:2
(Pre-K through first grade come forward for a special Children's Message)

Congregational Prayer

We Hear

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 9:2: 6-7; Matthew 1:23 page 638 & 890
 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: "The Promised King"

Prayer of Application

*Song of Commitment: "Emmanuel"

We Are Nourished

Lord's Supper

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

It is our joy and salvation at all times and in all places to give thanks to you,

O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Christ, our Lord.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Response: "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

Red 70:5

The Institution

Response: **His death, O God, we proclaim, His resurrection we declare.**

His coming we await. Glory to be to you, O Lord.

The Prayer of Consecration

Response: **Our Father in heaven . . . Amen.**

The Preparation

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body for we all share in the same loaf.

The cup for which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

The cup which we drink is our participation in the blood of Christ.

The Dedication

We praise you, Lord, for these your gifts of bread and wine.

We offer you ourselves as your people in your service.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

We will receive the bread of heaven.

We will drink the cup of salvation.

The Communion

The Bread: "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

cello solo

The Cup: "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

Red 61

The Thanksgiving

We Give Thanks

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Offering: 1) General Fund 2.) CRC Safe Church Ministry

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Register)

Offertory: "Emmanuel"

(Pote)

Sanctuary Choir

*Parting Blessing

*Closing Hymn: "Joy to the World"

Red 92:4

*Postlude: "Joy to the World"

Worship Leaders

Preaching Pastor: Shawn May

Liturgist: Brian White

Organist: Ilene Woldhuis

Pianists: Sondra Minnema, Wendy Zwiens

Song Leaders: Worship Team

Cellist: Sara White

Advent Candle Lighting: Doug and Lois Nagel

Ministry of Music: Sanctuary Choir