



December 8th, 2024 The Second Sunday of Advent – PEACE

*The parament colors today are purple as we continue in the season of Advent. In this season, we prepare for the coming of Christ, remembering His birth in Bethlehem and anticipating His return in final victory. May we rejoice in the peace of Emmanuel!*

Piano Meditation.....Cindy Duryea

Life of the Church and Opening Prayer.....Rev. Landon Collins

Prelude.....Cindy Duryea

*Sing We Now of Christmas* arr. by Mark Hayes  
Acolytes: Harper Hawkins and Scarlett Brainerd

Call to Worship.....Huett Bishop, Deacon of the Week

On this Advent journey, we come seeking peace.

**We seek serenity within ourselves.**

We seek harmony within our families.

**We seek goodwill among our neighbors.**

We seek a ceasefire among all nations.

**We seek not just the absence of conflict.**

We seek the peace that surpasses all understanding.

**We seek the coming Child.**

We seek the Prince of Peace.

**Eternal Hope, Lasting Peace, Perfect Joy, Divine Love**

**New and Abundant Life!**

Lighting of the Advent Candle – PEACE.....The Brainerd Family

Hymn No. 98 *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day*

**I heard the bells on Christmas day  
Their old familiar carols play,  
And wild and sweet the words repeat  
Of peace on earth, good will to men.**

**I thought how, as the day had come,  
The belfries of all Christendom  
Had rolled along th'unbroken song  
Of peace on earth, good will to men.**

**And in despair I bowed my head:**

**"There is no peace on earth," I said,  
"For hate is strong, and mocks the song  
Of peace on earth, good will to men."**

**Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:  
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;  
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail,  
With peace on earth, good will to men."**

**Till, ringing, singing on its way,  
The world revolved from night to day  
A voice, a chime, a chant sublime,  
Of peace on earth, good will to men.**

Children's Moment and Prayer.....Rev. Kelly Zytynski

*THIS IS CHRISTMAS: CELEBRATING THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS*

By Mary McDonald

Orchestration by Ed Hogan

Presented by Covenant Choir and Youth Voices

Narrated by Robin Fogg and Ben Reeves

*Christmas Overture*

*This Is Christmas Love*

*Rejoice! Emmanuel*

*He Shall Be Called* .....Kelly Hall, Soloist

*Glory Shone Around*

*He Is Born, the Holy Child*

*Sleep in Peace Tonight*

*This Is the Child, This Is the King*

*Repeat the Sounding Joy*

**Joy to the world! The Lord is come; Let earth receive her King.  
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room, and heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and heav'n and nature sing!**

**Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;  
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled."**

**Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies;**

**With angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"**

**Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."**

**Good Christians, all rejoice with heart and soul and voice!**

**Give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today.**

**Ox and ass before Him bow, and He is in the manger now.**

**Christ was born today, Christ was born today!**

Please be seated.

*This Is Christmas Love (Reprise)*

Pastoral Remarks.....Rev. Landon Collins

Missions Moment and Offertory Prayer

Offering.....Cindy Duryea

*The Holly and the Ivy* arr. by Jay Rouse

Hymn No. 253 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise Him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

Closing Thoughts and Blessing.....Rev. Landon Collins

Postlude.....Cindy Duryea

*This Is Christmas Love (Reprise)* Mary McDonald

\*A very special thank you to our guest instrumentalists: Jackie Cotto, flute; Janet Carpenter, oboe/English horn; Bob Adams, clarinet; Pete Stephenson, trumpet; Debra Sherrill-Ward, horn; Mark Lemstrom, trombone; Adam McCormick, percussion; and Elyse Stromer, violin.

Thank you for contributing to our worship this morning!

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