The Worship of God

The Fourth Sunday of Advent December 20, 2020

Welcome

Chiming of the Hour

Call to Worship (Psalm 89)

I will sing of Your great love forever; I will make known Your faithfulness. I will declare that Your love stands firm forever: You have established Your faithfulness in heaven itself. The heavens praise Your wonders and Your faithfulness. O Lord God Almighty, who is like You? You rule over the surging sea; when its waves mount up, You still them. The heavens and the earth are Yours. You rounded the world and all that is in it. You created the north and the south: the mountains sing for joy at Your name. Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne. Love and faithfulness go before You. You set the crown on the exalted one, the one who is mighty. In him, You shall be exalted. In him, You shall reign forever.

Lighting of the Fourth Advent Candle

Hymn

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand, Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the body and the blood; He will give to all the faithful His own self for heavenly food.

At his feet the six-winged seraph, Cherubim, with sleepless eye, Veil their faces to the presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord Most High!

Gospel Reading Luke 1:26-38

The word of the Lord for God's people. Thanks be to God.

Piano Meditation

Silence

It is both terrible and comforting to dwell in the inconceivable nearness of God, and so to be loved by God that the first and last gift is infinity and inconceivability itself. But we have no choice. God is with us. Karl Rahner

Pastoral Prayer

Old Testament 2 Samuel 7:1-11,16

Witness of Faith

Sermon

Prayer

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the world, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen.

Benediction

O Day of Peace

Mother of God

Welcome Visitors! We would love to meet you. We invite you to <u>complete our visitor form</u>.

Sunday Classes

Our final class in our Advent Series for Adult Formation is tonight at 5:00 pm on Zoom. Classes for Youth and Children all continue on Zoom at 10:15 am. Links for children's classes are available from Amy Everett (<u>amy@ourdayspring.org</u>). Spiritual Formation classes for all ages will not take place on December 27, January 3, or January 10. Watch for updates for Spring Spiritual Formation classes.

Give Online Thank you for your continuing support of DaySpring's ministries. We encourage <u>online giving at this link</u>.

Advent Missions Tree Collection concludes today. Thank you for your generosity. Watch the newsletter for more details regarding the final totals!

Christmas Eve Service

At 9 pm on Christmas Eve, everyone is invited to meet on Zoom to worship together with a service of lessons and carols from the sanctuary and homes of DaySpringers. <u>Click here</u> <u>for the Zoom link</u>. Feel free to share with anyone you'd like to invite to join us.

Christmas Eve Candles If you did not receive your Christmas Eve Candle Kit on Wednesday, please contact Tiffani Harris at <u>tiffani@ourdayspring.org</u>.

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