

Burlington Baptist Church

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Advent II

Sunday, December 6, 2020

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2. *Born thy people to deliver,
born a child and yet a king,
born to reign in us forever,
now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal Spirit
rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all-sufficient merit,
raise us to thy glorious throne.*

* Prayer of Approach

Lighting of the Second Advent Candle (page 4) Al and Sylvia Stockwell

A Gift of Song “There's A Voice in the Wilderness”

(Ascension - Henry Hugh Bancroft)

Kim and Emily Sweet

WE GIVE OURSELVES TO GOD

Prayers of the People of God

The Offering “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

(French Processional, 15th c.; setting, David M. Cherwien)

* Offertory Prayer “As With Gladness” (Tune at #150 - GG)

*As they offered gifts most rare, at that manger rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to you, our heavenly King. Amen.*

GOD SPEAKS TO US

The Scriptures

Allison Thornton

Epistle Lesson: 2 Peter 3: 8 - 15a

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1: 1 - 8

Sermon: “Out in the Wilderness”

GOD SENDS US FORTH

* Hymn of Response

“On Jordan’s Bank”

96 - GG

- 1. On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
awake and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings!*
- 2. Then cleansed be every life from sin;
make straight the way for God within;
and let us all our hearts prepare
for Christ to come and enter there.*
- 3. We hail you as our Saviour, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward:
without your grace, we waste away
like flowers that wither and decay.*
- 4. Stretch forth your hand; our health restore,
and make us rise to fall no more.
O let your face upon us shine
and fill the world with peace divine.*

* Benediction

Postlude

“For Unto Us A Child Is Born” (G.F. Handel; arr. Mark Hayes)





Advent II - PEACE

READER 1: The prophet, Isaiah, writes on behalf of God:
Comfort, O comfort my people. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

(Isaiah 40: 1 - 5)

READER 2: Last Sunday we lit the first candle on our Advent wreath, the candle of **Hope**. In its light we are reminded that Christ, who was born in Bethlehem, will come again to fulfill all of God's promises to us.

READER 1: The second candle of Advent is the candle of **Peace**. Peace is a word we hear a lot, and it's one of the things that we hope for. Christ brought peace when he first came to us and he will bring everlasting peace when he comes again.

READER 2: The prophet Isaiah called the coming messiah the 'Prince of Peace.' Jesus – the one we recognize as God's messiah - taught people the importance of being peacemakers. He said that those who make peace shall be called "the children of God."

READER 1: Today we light the second candle on our wreath to remind us that Jesus is the Prince of Peace and that through him, lasting peace is found.

(the second purple candle is lit)

READER 2: Peace is like a ribbon that binds people together. As we look at this candle, we celebrate the peace we find in Jesus Christ, a tie that binds us.

READER 1: Let us pray:

ALL: Thank you God for the peace you give us. We ask that as we wait for all your promises to come true, and for Christ to come again, that you would stay close to us. Help us today, and every day, to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your peace with others. We ask this in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.

READER 2: Let us sing of Advent peace!
(verse 2 only of hymn #35 in *Sing Together*)



2. Peace is a ribbon that circles the earth,
giving a promise of safety and worth.

*When God is a child
there's joy in our song.*

*The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,
and none shall be afraid.*



BBC News

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Sunday December 6, 2020

Welcome to Burlington Baptist Church today! We pray you will find our fellowship warm and our worship meaningful. Regular and large print bulletins, and hearing-assist devices, are available.

The Greeters today are Crystal Brogan & Lynne McCulloch, the Welcome Associate is Ken Lloyd, Ushers are Kaysian Clarke-Paravalos & Dave Morikawa and our Sound Technician is Mike Anderson.

THIS WEEK

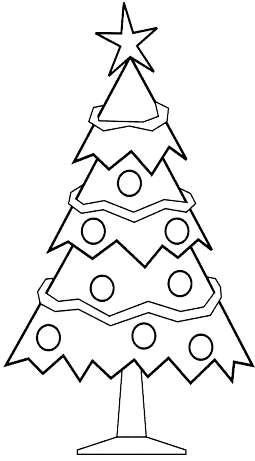
1. Tuesday, December 8: Congregational Care & Outreach Team meet 7.00pm in Foyer (check time and venue with Chair)
2. Wednesday, December 9: Worship & Pastoral Care Team meet 7.00pm in the Upper Room. (check time and venue with Chair).
3. Thursday, December 10: The Benefits Program will be available between 10am - 12noon to Burlington residents in need.
4. Thursday, December 10: Advent Vespers - 6.30pm. This will be via Zoom. Dave will be emailing out a link.
5. Sunday, December 13: BBC Family Christmas Programme - 3.00pm on Zoom.

The Congregational Care & Outreach Team is inviting monetary donations today for the Tree of Hope campaign - Thank you!



Church Office Hours:

- Open Tuesday to Friday 9:00am-1.00pm
- Contact Jackie, our Office Administrator by calling 905-634-2477 or email office@burlingtonbaptist.com



BBC Family Christmas

Programme

Sunday December 13, 2020

3:00 pm

You're invited to take part in our ZOOM Christmas programme. You can be part of the audience or part of the programme. We need angels, wise men, cows, etc. You will receive a script, but you need to supply your own costume.

We may even have a visit from Santa!

Contact Sharyn Kreuger for your reservation.

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Oh, it's FREE!!!!