

Second Sunday of Advent - December 7, 2025

If you are worshipping with us for the first time today, **we welcome you in Christ's name**. We invite you to stand, if you are able, where there is a "†" (cross) in the program and to join in speaking with the congregation any parts that are in **bold** type. Our Communion, normally held the first Sunday of every month, is open to all.

Today's Musician: Pam Laue

Ring of the Bell

Welcome

Prelude: "Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine" Traditional German carol

Reflection: God, in the midst of our rush to Christmas, you burst into our lives with the promise of something new. Open our hearts and spirits this morning to new possibilities in our lives and help us to prepare our lives to receive you. AMEN.

† Lighting of the Advent Wreath - The PEACE Candle

† Opening Hymn "Watcher, Tell Us of the Night" NCH # 103

† Passing of the Peace

Offering Invitation: *We express our dedication and thankfulness to God through our presence here & online as well as through the giving of ourselves, our time, our talents, & our offerings. This church prays to be a true & faithful witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ & asks God's blessing on these offerings in Jesus' Name!*

Children's Moment

Today's Scriptures

Old Testament ~ *Isaiah 11:1-10*

Our Response ~ *Psalms 150* NCH pg. 723

New Testament ~ *Matthew 3:1-12*

Unison Confession: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth, but often we fall short of the love that God has for us, and that God expects from us in return. Let us confess our shortcomings and limits of our trust.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness: God's love for us is enduring & available in a deep way right now. The good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ that brings us new life & transformation is arriving even as we speak & worship!

Responsive Prayers for the World by the People

Response: "Holy One, hear our prayer."

The Prayer of Our Savior

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, & forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom & the power & the glory forever. Amen.

Hymn of Preparation "All Earth is Waiting" NCH # 121

Sermon "John the Baptist's Great Message" Pastor Jono

Music for Meditation "There's a Song in the Air" Karl P. Harrington

One: And so we come to this table to remember and to share a holy meal. And we declare the mystery of our faith:

**Many: Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ will come again.**

Words of Institution and Blessing of the Elements

Invitation & Sharing of the Elements

Unison Prayer after the Meal

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by feeding us with your Word and by quenching our thirst with your Spirit. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ our Savior, Amen.

Sharing of Announcements, Prayer Updates, Joys and Concerns

-Church Survey! - Please consider taking our church survey on back!

-Community Choir - Come enjoy great music from our talented musicians! Dec. 12 and 13 in Pinedale. And December 14 in Big Piney!

-5th Annual Souper Bowl is next Saturday, December 13th from 5 - 8 PM in the Pinedale Library Lovatt Room!

-Church Council will be looking for folks to join starting in 2026!

-New Member Sunday is next Sunday Dec. 14th! If you're interested in joining the church OR have any questions, let Pastor Jono know!

-Advent Wreath Sign-Up – If you/your family would like to light an advent candle this year, the sign-up sheet is in the hall!

-Donate to Oyate Teca Project in Pine Ridge, SD for Christmas. Here is the FB page with a paypal link: <https://www.facebook.com/oyatetecaproject>

-FALL Sign-Ups are available in the hall!

† Closing Hymn "Return, My People" NCH # 114

† Benediction

† **Recessional**

"Masters in this Hall"

Traditional French carol

What nationality is Santa Claus?



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2025 Church Survey

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Come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD.

Isaiah 2:5