Second Sunday of Advent

Traditional Worship Service

The Gathering 11:15 a.m. **Date: December 6, 2015**

- ***Childcare is available for children 5 and under downstairs in the nursery.***
- ***Hearing Assistance Devices are available. Please ask one of the ushers.***
- ***Please write PRAYERS on a prayer paper and place in the offering plate as it is passed.***

Welcome to Worship

**** indicates please rise in body or spirit***

Introduction to Worship and Prayer

Prelude "Advent Rose" By Rogers
Ringers of Glory

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Krista Thompson

***Hymn of Praise** "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" #196 Hymnal
(Children are invited to move up front for the Children's Gathering on last verse.)

The Children's Gathering *(Please Pass Attendance Pads)*
"Come, Little Children" #3055 Green Song Book (v. 3)

***Gospel Reading** Matthew 1:18-25 #1497 Pew Bible

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.
People: THANKS BE TO GOD!

***"Gloria Patri"** #70 Hymnal

Sermon: "Journey through Advent with Joseph of Bethlehem"
Pastor Steve Reinhard
(Message Notes are included on the back of the bulletin)

A Time of Reflection on the Word of God

Holy Communion / Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings
ALL are welcome to receive communion

- *Whether making a donation or not, EVERYONE is invited to touch the offering plates, offering a prayer to give ourselves to God in heart, soul, mind and strength.*

***Song of Sending Forth** "Emmanuel, Emmanuel" #204 Hymnal

***Closing Blessing and Sending to Serve**

Passing the Peace of God and inviting one another to fellowship***

Postlude **"**Savior of the Nations, Come" Arr. by Manz

***Following worship you are invited to stay for fellowship in Baldridge Hall at the east end of the building.