

# Wesley Park United Methodist Church

Fourth Sunday of Advent  
9 am - December 18, 2016

## We Gather Together

**Prelude**

**Greeting**

**\*Lighting of the Advent Candle of Peace**

One: Isaiah 7:10-16

**All: The first candle of Advent was the candle of Hope. The second Advent candle represents Love. The third Advent candle represents Joy. Today's Advent Candle represents Peace.**

One: (The Acolyte lights the first, second, third, and fourth candles.)

**All: Only the way of Christ can bring Peace to the world. Jesus is the Prince of Peace.**

One: There are many ways in which we can have Peace where there was once strife and hatred, fear and anxiety.

**All: May the Prince of Peace reign in our lives!**

One: Let us pray:

**All: O Creator, we ask for the true peace which only you can give. Encourage us to embrace the peace within us and around us and offer that Peace to all. Amen.**

**\*Hymn**

**Children's Blessing**

## We Receive the Word

**Hail to the Lord's Anointed #203, verse 4**

**To him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend;  
his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.  
The tide of time shall never his covenant remove;  
his name shall stand forever, that name to us is love.**

**Sermon**

**Hail to the Lord's Anointed** Rev. Dean N. Prentiss

## We Respond to the Word

**Choral Anthem**

**Stewardship Celebration and Invitation**

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**Offertory**

**\*Prepare the Way of the Lord #207**

**Prepare the way of the Lord.**

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**And all people will see the  
Salvation of our God.**

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Ever present God, you taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand. Grant that we may ever be found watching for the coming of your Son. Save us from undue love of the world, that we may wait with patient hope for the day of the Lord, and so abide in him, that when he shall appear, we shall not be ashamed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## We Take the Word into the World

**\*Hymn**

**\*Blessing**

God bless you, sisters and brothers. May Christ keep us in the faith until the day we shall appear before his presence.

**Postlude**

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*\*Please stand as you are able or comfortable.*

### Ministering Today - 9 am

Greeters	Betty Stoutjesdyk, Freddi Angus, Nancy Chambers
Acolyte	Anna Reidel
Ushers	Deb Hodges, Dennis Strong, Ken & Linda McKenney
Musician	Liz Montcastle
Sound Tech	Dan Scribner
Video Tech	Brad Jeltama
Nursery	Skyler Maitner, Sheryl Jones
Child Advocate	Phyllis Prentiss, Skyler Maitner

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