



First Christian Church

Manhattan, KS

THOSE
WHO *prepare*
DREAM *the way*
2nd sunday in advent



The Beginning of the Good News

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Sunday, December 6, 2020

Prelude *Christmas Lullaby* *Mannheim*

Welcome *Benjamin Hitzfeld*

Call to Worship *Lukus Ebert*

*One: John the Baptist said, "Prepare the way."
So family of faith, how do we prepare our
minds for worship?*

**All: We silence the inner critic. We let go of
busy thoughts. We make space for God to
speak.**

One: How do we prepare our hearts for worship?

**All: We bless all emotions. We feel what we feel.
We open ourselves up to be moved.**

One: How do we prepare our bodies for worship?

**All: We take in the scent, sight, and feel of this
space. We breathe in God's mercy. We
exhale God's love.**

One: How do we prepare our souls for worship?

**All: We bring our full selves into this space. We
wear our hearts on our sleeves. We trust
that even now, God is here.**

*One: Family of faith, what we practice in worship, we
must live out in our daily lives. So prepare the
way. Let us worship Holy God.*

Invocation *Lukus Ebert*

Opening Hymn:
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Lighting of the Second Advent Candle of Peace
Mickey Bogart and Joan Thomson

Children's Moment *Ashley VanGilder*

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Those Who Dream.... Prepare the Way

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fccmanhattan.org - click "Worship" - click "Mobile Giving"
Checks can be mailed to 3001 Grand Mere Parkway,
Manhattan, KS 66503
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Benediction *Lukus Ebert*

Postlude *Little Drummer Boy* *Mannheim*

What Child is This

What child is this who, laid to rest,
on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
while shepherds watch are keeping?

Refrain:

This, this is Christ the King,
whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
haste, haste to bring him laud,
the Babe, the Son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate
where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear, for sinners here
the silent Word is pleading.

Refrain:

This, this is Christ the King,
whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
haste, haste to bring him laud,
the Babe, the Son of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh,
come, rich and poorer, to own him;
the King of kings salvation brings,
let loving hearts enthrone him.

Refrain:

This, this is Christ the King,
whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
haste, haste to bring him laud,
the Babe, the Son of Mary.

Comfort, Comfort You My People

Comfort, comfort you my people,
tell of peace, thus says our God;
comfort those who sit in darkness
bowed beneath oppression's load.
Speak you to Jerusalem
of the peace that waits for them;
tell them that their sins I cover,
and their warfare now is over.

For the herald's voice is calling
in the desert far and near,
bidding us to make repentance
since the reign of God is here.
O that warning cry obey!
Now prepare for God a way;
let the valleys rise in meeting
and the hills bow down to greeting.

Make you straight what long was crooked,
make the rougher places plain;
let your hearts be true and humble,
as befits God's holy reign.
For the glory of our God
now o'er earth is shed abroad;
and all flesh shall see the token
that God's word is never broken.

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent

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.

Truly God, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he
stood,
Word of God, in human vesture – in the body and
the blood –
Christ will give to all the faithful his own self for
heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its
vanguard on the way,
as the Light of Light descendeth from the realms
of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish as the
darkness clears away.

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, God Most High."

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
join the triumph of the skies,
with the angelic host proclaim:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ by highest heaven adored,
Christ the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come,
offspring of the Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
hail the incarnate Deity,
pleased in flesh with us to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
risen with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"



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Name: First Christian Church
Zipcode: 66503
3. Create a free account.
4. Follow the screen prompts to give.

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Giving Via Text-to-Give

1. Text the word **GIVE** to **785-504-1191**
2. If it's your first time, you'll be prompted to click a link directing you to the online giving page to complete a one-time registration.
3. Click "**SIGN IN**" then "**REGISTER FOR AN ACCOUNT**" at the bottom of the page.
4. Complete contact information then click "**REGISTER**"
5. Enter the **SECURE PIN** that the system texts you.
6. Select the fund (*General Church Budget is the default unless you want to give to a special fund*), enter the donation amount, and payment information before completing your gift.
7. Click **SAVE PAYMENT** to keep your payment information securely saved for future gifts.



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- Make a **financial donation by visiting their website:** flinthillsbreadbasket.org and clicking "How to Help" and then "Donate"
- **Mail a check to:** 905 Yuma Street, Manhattan, KS 66502
- If you are out and about, **drop off a bag of food.** They are open for donations Monday - Friday, 8:00-12:00

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Affirmation of Faith

One: We believe in God.

All: We believe that God has dreams for humanity.

One: We believe in the Holy Spirit.

All: We believe that the Holy Spirit comforts us when our dreams turn to nightmares.

One: We believe in Jesus.

All: We believe that Jesus walked this world to wake us up, Inviting us to be the church in the world.

One: We believe in dreams.

All: We believe in the power that dreams have to show us a new way.

One: So in this Advent season,

All: We are those who dream and those who wake up. May it be so. Amen.