



Fourth Sunday in Advent

NEW HACKENSACK REFORMED CHURCH
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~~ Fourth Sunday in Advent ~~

"This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it" Psalm 118:24

We Celebrate the Good News

The Gathering of God's People

Time to speak with each other

Greeting

**"The Lord be with you...
And also with you."**



Please fill out and pass the Friendship Books.

Visitors, please fill in your address as well. Thank You!

Prelude

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Campanola Ringers

The Call to Worship

Deacon Jeff Wright / Congregation

God calls us now in this Christmas season to become new,
**To make room for our own nativity, even where there is no room
at the inn.**

Where we are busy – help us find Peace.

Where we are lost – help us find Salvation.

Where we are sad – help us find Joy.

Where we are bitter – help us find Love.

Let this hour be a time to hope for all these gifts of God. Amen.

Gathering Hymn: "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

#173

The Welcoming Prayer/God's Greeting

Rev. Keith Tamlyn



Children's Dismissal to Sunday School

(Children 3rd – 8th grade leave for Sunday school)

(Children ages 3yrs - 2nd grade are attending Children and Worship in room 9)

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

Irene and Brad Moody

~JOY~



Leader: Joy to the world!

People: **God is making the final preparation for an amazing thing.**

Leader: We have lit the candles of hope, of peace, of love. In the glow of their light we feel the warmth of deep and quiet joy.

People: **Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns.**

Leader: Let us our songs employ.

People: **Let us sing to the glory of God;**

Leader: Let us sing in the name of Christ who offers us great Joy.

People: **May Joy be born again in our hearts.**

All: **Rejoice, Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!**

~ Light Fourth Advent Candle ~ The Candle of Joy ~

Please remain seated and join in our advent hymn:

Advent Hymn "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vs 4) #133

The Call to Confession

Deacon Jeff Wright

Prayer of Confession

We sing, “O come all ye faithful,” God, but we confess that we are not always faithful. We could have shown love this past week, but we kept ourselves busy with other things. We spoke without thinking and hurt someone. We treated the gifts and greetings and meals as chores, leaving out the most important ingredient – caring. Forgive us, and accept our worship. We pray in the name of Jesus who was born in Bethlehem, who lived and died for our sins, and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Words of Assurance / The Law

Deacon Jeff Wright

“Glory Be to the Father”

Anthem

“The Christmas Gift”

arranged by Mary McDonald, words by Hope McDonald
Chancel Choir



We Proclaim the Good News

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture

Luke 1: 39-55

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Message

“Yes! – There is Hope!”

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Sermon Hymn: “Gentle Mary Laid Her Child” #156



We Respond to the Good News

*(Please print your prayer request on the blue card in the pew rack
and deposit in offering plate.)*

The Offering

Offertory

“In the Bleak Midwinter”

arr. Karen Buckwalter
Campanola Ringers

The Doxology

The Offertory Prayer

Lord, through our offerings we commit ourselves anew to your ministry of healing and hope, both here in this place, and throughout the world. Accept these gifts with our prayers and with our concern. Amen.

Prayer Hymn: “Emmanuel, Emmanuel” (2X) #140

~~~~ Poinsettia Dedication ~~~~



Prayers of Thanksgiving (Pastor)

The Lord’s Prayer

**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. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our
debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Sending Hymn: “Angels We Have Heard on High” #152

Benediction and Postlude