

*A CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go Now in Peace

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Go now in peace,
Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.

Go now in love,
And show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.

Go now in faith,
Steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.

God will be there
Watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

THE POSTLUDE

Improvisation on "Hyfrydol"

*Indicates where the congregation is asked to stand, if able.

CARE FOR CHILDREN

A nursery for infants – 2 years is available during the 10:00 AM service.
Sunday School for children ages 3 through 5th grade.
Pilgrim Fellowship Youth Group for grades 6 through 12.

Worship Preview for Sunday, December 11 10:00 AM

Rev. Barry W. Szymanski will present the message.
Lee Jacobi directs the Choir of First Church.
Thomas Gregory is the organist.



**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF WAUWATOSA
GATHERED IN 1842**

Our Covenant

As followers of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves to share in the worship and service of God, to grow in the knowledge and expression of our faith, to reach out with compassion to those in need, to treat each other with love and understanding, and to return to God a portion of God's gifts.

December 4, 2011

MORNING WORSHIP 10:00 AM

Second Sunday of Advent

HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY

*Please silence your cell phones. Pass and sign the red pew pads now.
If you are a guest this Sunday, we would love to greet you following the service.*

Everyone is invited to Coffee Fellowship in the Social Hall following the Service.

THE PRELUDE

Veni Emmanuel

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CHIMES AND TOWER BELLS

*HYMN 92

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Veni Emmanuel

*THE GREETING OF PEACE *God's people share greetings and peace with those around them.*

[Please remain standing until after the Gloria Patri.]

*INVOCATION

Pastor: The Lord is with you. Pastor Barry W. Szymanski

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray together:

Carol Hudson

Almighty and most merciful God, you listen to all who call upon you, and you speak to your people the message of peace. We come before you to sing praise to your glorious Name. You have sent your prophets to bring the power of your Word to all people. Pour out that same prophetic spirit on us and enable us to live our lives so that others may see in our example the saving grace which you offer to all the world. Amen.

*THE GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 558)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, Amen.**

THE LIGHTING of the ADVENT CANDLE Lucy, Sam, and Maddie Hantzsch

The lighting of the first candle symbolizes Hope, and the second is the candle of Peace.

Candle Lighters lead the Prayer:

Let us pray:

Loving God, thank you for the peace you give us through Jesus, our Christ. May His light shine in our lives, showing us the path of peace between God and all people. Help us to prepare our hearts to receive His peace. We pray this in the name of the one born in Bethlehem, Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

The Sacrament of Baptism of

Tate Richard Nowacki, son of Carolyn and Richard Nowacki
and Cade William Jeide, son of Susan and Matthew Jeide

THE CHILDREN LEAD 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.

[Children age 3 through 12th grade are invited to go to Sunday School and PF.]

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 40:1-5 Bible, page 653
Children's Bible, page 1013

PSALMODY *Psalm 85* sung to Forest Green

The LORD has long with favor looked Upon the chosen land; To Jacob's heirs, the wealth of earth Is lavished in their hand. The captive chains of servitude Are loosed, the slaves are free; And through God's grace, the bonds of sin Give way to liberty.	My humble heart the still small voice, Of Thy love yet attends; The faithful God from death redeems, The fearful, God defends. Thy steadfast love and faithfulness Will meet us face to face; The arm of justice, mercy sways; The righteous, truth embrace. May wisdom dwell in human law, And justice, courts display; Let righteousness precede Thy steps, And guide us on our way.
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THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 2 Peter 3:8-15a

Bible, page 1109
Children's Bible, page 1746

COMMENTARY ON THE GOSPEL

THE GOSPEL Mark 1:1-8

Bible, page 910
Children's Bible, page 1424

MESSAGE *Advent*

Dr. Szymanski

THE ANTHEM *Every Valley* Drennan

THE CALL TO PRAYER and TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE OFFERTORY

THE ANTHEM *Advent Message* How

*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 563)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE COMMUNION OF ALL

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN 90 *Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers* Llangloffan

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION