



Welcome to worship at United Church of Christ Norwell. Whether you are a member of our church, a frequent attendee, or a first-time visitor, know you are welcomed here. We hope you will find your time among us inspiring and leave feeling strengthened and transformed by the love of God in Christ.

**Listening devices for the hearing impaired and large print bulletins are available. Note:** if you remove both hearing aids to use a listening device, please store them apart from each other to avoid sound system feedback.

**Activity bags are also available for children** to use (a Deacon or usher can assist you). Audio of the worship service can also be heard in the library. Please note that a parent must remain with their child(ren) in the library to supervise them.

This morning service is being live streamed and available for viewing on our Vimeo channel and Facebook page.

## United Church of Christ Norwell

*We are a Christ-centered inclusive community called to ministry.*

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# United Church of Christ Norwell

*An Open and Affirming Church*

December 4, 2022

**Second Sunday of Advent**

10:00 a.m.

## *We Gather in God's Name*

Choral Introit	<i>Prepare, Prepare, Prepare</i>	Avery Harken
Welcome and Prayer of Invocation		Rev. Leanne Walt
Advent Wreath Lighting	The Candle of Peace	The Giovino Family Amanda, Mark, George & Hannah
*Hymn #122	<i>Comfort, Comfort You My People</i>	GENEVA 42
Song	<i>Emmanuel Is Coming</i> Emmanuel is coming: the King of Kings. Sing with the angels and the seraphim. Lift up your hearts today to welcome him. (2x)	Karen Harvey

As the song is sung, children may meet their Church School teachers in Fellowship Hall.

## *We Receive God's Word*

Scripture	Matthew 3:1-12	
Sermon	<i>God with Us: In Our Own Time</i>	Rev. Leanne Walt
Anthem	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i> Celestial Ringers	Arr. Susan Geschke

## *We Respond to God's Love*

Prayers of the People

Bob Hawk

Call to Offering

Rev. Leanne Walt

*Please sign and pass the Red Book* (in aisle seats) so we may greet each other by name.  
If you are with us for the first time, please add your contact information.

Offertory

*Prepare Ye*

Stephen Schwartz

Andy Schlosser, drums    Jack Spurr, guitar

\*Doxology

*LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ the Word in flesh born low: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; One God, Triune, whom we adore:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*Prayer of Dedication

## *Sacrament of Holy Communion*

Hymn #420 (seated)

*I Come with Joy*

*DOVE OF PEACE*

(As children return upstairs to their families)

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Consecration

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, come. Bless this bread, and bless this fruit of the vine.

People: **Bless all of us in our eating and drinking at this table that our eyes may be opened, and that we may recognize the risen Christ in our midst, in each other, and in all for whom Christ died.**

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

(Grape juice, not wine, is served to all. Gluten-free is available in the center station.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer and Passing of the Peace

Rev. Leanne Walt

## *We Depart to Serve*

\*Hymn #136

*Christians All, Your Lord Is Coming* v. 1, 2, 4

*HOLY MANNA*

\*Benediction

Rev. Leanne Walt

Postlude

*Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying*  
Karen Harvey, organ

*WACHET AUF;*  
Arr. Wayne Wold

\* Please stand, as you are able

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