Welcome to the



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WORSHIP for the 2nd Sunday in



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Daily Bible Readings

Monday, December 9: Psalm 21; Isaiah 24:1-16a; 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

Tuesday, December 10: Psalm 21; Isaiah 41:14-20; Romans

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Wednesday, December 11: Psalm 21; Genesis 15:1-18; Matthew 12:33-37

Thursday, December 12: Psalm 146:5-10; Ruth 1:6-18; 2 Peter 3:1-10

Friday, December 13: Psalm 146:5-10; Ruth 4:13-17; 2 Peter 3:11-18

Saturday, December 14: Psalm 146:5-10; 1 Samuel 2:1-8; Luke 3:1-18

Thought for the Week: Jesus' words to his disciples

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

I do not give to you as the world gives.

Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." (John 14:27)

Order of Service for the 2nd Sunday in Advent 8 December 2019

Call to Worship (congregational lines in bold)
Throughout the generations, God has sent
the message of peace and reconciliation
in the words of the prophets and in acted parable.
In history, in nature, God has revealed
a loving intent towards men and women.
Finally, in due time, God sent Jesus into the world
to demonstrate in human terms
God's way of living and loving.
So today we come to prepare our hearts and minds
once more to receive the Gospel of hope and peace.
In this place we are invited to open ourselves to the Spirit of God,
and to prepare a place for God in our lives.
Come, then, and let us worship God.

Introit (Joyful Singers): Christ is coming

Christ is coming, the king of glory
No more sorrow, no more weeping
Christ is coming, the king of glory
No more Sorrow, bye and bye
Christ is coming (solo)

Welcome & Prayer of Approach

Lighting of the 2nd Advent Candle - a Candle of Peace **Hymn:** A candle is burning

 A candle is burning, a flame warm and bright, a candle of hope in December's dark night.
 While angels sing blessings from heaven's starry sky, our hearts we prepare now for Jesus is nigh. 2. A candle is burning, a candle of peace, a candle to signal that conflict must cease. For Jesus is coming to show us the way, a message of peace humbly laid in the hay.

Stirring up the Christmas Puddings

Hymn 279 Make way, make way, for Christ the King

Blessing on the Children

Prayer of Confession and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn 472 Come, thou long-expected Jesus

Readings: **Isaiah 11: 1 – 10** (p. 697)

Matthew 3: 1 -12 (p. 967)

Reflection: "Protestors and Prophets"

Hymn 243 Touch the earth lightly

Reading: Mark 4: 35 - 41 p. 1006)

Reflection: The Messiah as "Mighty God"

Hymn 474 Hail to the Lord's Anointed (verses 1, 3 & 5)

Offering & Prayer of Dedication - while JS sings: **Jesu ni Wango**

Jesu ni wango Yesu niwango, wauzina wamilele (solo) Yesu niwango, wauzina wamilele.(all). 2x

Batu nionso balobi, Yesu azali mokonzi (solo) Yesu niwango, wauzina wamilele (all). 2x

Refrain

Oh wauzina (solo) Wamilele (all) Wauzina (solo) Wamilele (all) Wauzina (solo)

Wamilele eh eh eh eh (all)

Anthem: Joyful Singers: Wonto ayeyi dwom po, Christ oreba

Wonto ayeyi dwom po Christ oreba. 2x

Ye beto ayeyi dwom ara
Ayeyi dwom ara
Ye be to oh
Ayeyi dwom po
Ye beto

Church News followed by Prayers for Others - Elder

Hymn 264 Judge Eternal, throned in splendour

Benediction and 3-fold Amen

Advent & Christmas Services

15 Dec - 3^{rd} Sunday in Advent - Sunday School Presentation

22 Dec-Family Christingle Service- including Profession of Faith

- 17h30: Christmas Tea & Carols for All

25 Dec - A Family Celebration of Christmas

29 Dec - Family Celebrations Continue!

5 Jan - Worship for Epiphany

- followed by Soup & Christmas Pudding Lunch

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?

Or do you know someone who is? Please put your requests in the prayer box on Sundays. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at pray.sicr@gmail.com For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or Minister, contact your Elder, the Church Office or the Minister.

Birthdays (names only mentioned in the printed version in the church.)

Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!

What's on the agenda?

Wednesday 11 Dec 7.30pm – Pilgrims Fellowship Group Sunday 15 Dec 10.30am Service for the 3rd Sunday in

Advent

Sunday 22 Dec 10.30am Family Christingle Service

5.30pm Christmas Tea & Carols for All

Who's who Today (names only mentioned in the printed version in the church.)

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Church News for 08.12.19 to be read by the Elder Please take the Order of Service home, so you can refer to it and follow the Daily Bible reading shown on the front. Please note on our agenda is the following: See Order of Service.

The **Wednesday Pilgrims Fellowship Group** continues on 11th December @ 19:45 at Rev. Irene' Bergpolderstraat 53a.

The **B4ChurchBibleStudy** was held this morning and will again on 5th & 12th January at 09:15, when we continue our journey through the Bible looking at the Gospel according to Luke.

The Herald for December 2019 and January 2020, as well as the **Daily Bread** devotional for December, January and February are still available from Ato Bob.

Both the Crèche and the Youth Group urgently need additional volunteers. See Christa, Saskia or Ato Bob.