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*Evangelism is Brentwood Presbyterian Church's mission,
and is defined as: to show clearly the risen, living, loving Christ,
as the Holy Spirit motivates us to be a caring church and to
resolve to serve him in the community and in the world.*

Rev. Dr. John Bryant Barker
Pastor

Rev. Gary Jon Cooper
Director of Music

December 6, 2020

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*“Stir up your might, and come to save us!” prayed
the psalmist (Psalm 80:2, NRSV). Welcome to
worship in Advent, as we await our Savior.*

PRELUDE: “Advent Longing”

Martin

GREETINGS AND CONCERNS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

*In this Advent time of waiting, I wait
now to hear a word from you, dear Lord.*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

PRAYER (In Unison)

**God of prophets: in the wilderness of Jordan you sent a
messenger to prepare men’s hearts for the coming of your
Son. Help us to hear the good news, to repent, and be ready
to welcome the Lord, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

CAROL: HYMN 9 (vs 3)

VENI EMMANUEL

“O Come, Desire of Nations”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: God is my Savior; I will trust Him and not be afraid.
The Lord gives me power and strength; he is my
Savior.

People: As fresh water brings joy to the thirsty, so God’s
people rejoice when he saves them. A day is coming
when people will sing. Give thanks to the Lord! Call
for Him to help you! Tell all the nations what He
has done! Tell them how great he is! Sing to the
Lord because of the great things he has done. Let
the whole world hear the news. (Isaiah 12:2-5)

***HYMN 2**

HYFRYDOL

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

***CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (Unison)**

God of the past, in the wilderness of Jordan You sent a messenger to prepare human hearts for the coming of Christ. We rejoice that through the centuries that message of hope had brought confidence and joy to people. God of the present, even now You are among us. Forgive us that often we have failed to discern Your presence with us, and have felt deserted and alone. Make strong in our hearts the faith that enables us to live serenely and triumphantly. God of the future You have promised that Christ's reign is coming. Teach us to live in expectation, that what we are and do today may be anchored in the certainty of your tomorrow. We pray in hope and expectation. Amen.

***ANNOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOOD NEWS**

***RESPONSE OF JOY**

HYMN 579

GLORIA PATRI

GOD'S CALL TO COMMITMENT

Offering: *During these challenging times, you may find it difficult to send in your contributions. Please contribute what you are comfortably able to give. Thank you in advance!*

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Of the Father's Love Begotten" **Southbridge**

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Mark 1:1-8

NT Pg. 34

2 Peter 3:8-15

NT Pg. 238

Liturgist: **Deb Campbell**

HYMN 10

WINCHESTER NEW

"On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

SERMON: "Starting in the Desert"

Dr. Barker

PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN 11**

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN
“O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?”

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE:** “In Dulci Jubilo”

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***Those that are able, please stand.**

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

December 6, 2020 – December 12, 2020

SUNDAY

ONLINE WORSHIP

12:00 – 1:00 P.M.

“Drive-By” Malawi Lunch

WEDNESDAY

10:00 A.M.

Food Pantry Pickup



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Advent