

*Our Mission:
Love God
Love Others
Make Disciples*



*Our Vision:
Be the hands
and feet
of Christ*

Northgate United Methodist Church

November 28, 2021

First Sunday of Advent

Sermon Series: Come Home for Christmas (Week 1 of 4)

Sermon: Time to Go Home

Prelude

Greeting & Announcements

NOTE: † Congregation, please stand as you are able.

Bold: Congregation, please respond together.

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Debby Rudd

†Call to Worship

The days are surely coming, says the Lord,
when I will cause a righteous branch to spring forth
and bring my promised salvation to Israel.

The Lord is our righteousness.

The days are surely coming, says our God,
when justice and mercy will be executed
throughout the land.

The Lord is our righteousness.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord,
when my promised one will teach transgressors my ways,
and heal the world with love and mercy.

The Lord is our righteousness.

†Opening Prayer

Righteous one, to you alone we lift our souls; in you alone, we place our trust; for you alone we wait all day long. For you are the God of our salvation, abounding in mercy and steadfast love. Help us remain alert and watchful for the coming of your promised one – the one who comes with power and glory, the one drawing near to bring our salvation. **AMEN.**

†Opening Hymn

We Gather Together

UMH 131, v. 2 and 3

Concerns of the Community

Pastoral Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. AMEN.

‡Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

UMH 102, v. 1 and 3

‡Affirmation of Faith

“The Apostles’ Creed”

UMH 881

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. AMEN.**

Young Disciples’ Time

Charlie Walden

Anthem

Thank You

Choir

‡Scripture

Luke 21:25-36

“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Time to Go Home”

Pastor Jennifer

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

‡Closing Hymn

Come Ye Thankful People, Come

UMH 694, v. 1 and 4

‡ Benediction

‡ Choral Response

Freely, Freely

**He said, “Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give.
Go in my name, and because you believe, others will know that I live.”**

‡ Postlude

Today’s Worship Leaders

Preacher..... Rev. Jennifer Kilpatrick
Liturgist Gail Blythe
Music Director David Forbus
Accompanist..... Laura Benton
A/V Team Cary Marsalis, Jay Marsh



Traditional Worship Service in-person or online at 10:45 a.m.

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Upcoming Worship Services

December 5, 2021

Second Sunday of Advent

Continue 4-week Advent Sermon Series

Scripture: Luke 3:1-6

Sermon title: The Fear of Home

Sermon series: Come Home for Christmas
(Week Two of Four)