

# Second Sunday of Advent

We joyfully welcome all who have come to celebrate God's best gift to all of humanity, Jesus the Christ, our Lord and Savior. Let every voice be lifted up in singing and praying as we focus upon the Prince of Peace.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

PASTOR: It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the LORD'S house shall be established on the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow to it.

**CONGREGATION:** *Many people shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths."*

PASTOR: For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and rebuke many people; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

**CONGREGATION:** *There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots.*

PASTOR: The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD.

**CONGREGATION:** *His delight is in the fear of the LORD, and He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, nor decide by the hearing of His ears;*

PASTOR: But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked.

**CONGREGATION:** *Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, and faithfulness the belt of His waist.*

PASTOR: The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.

**PASTOR AND CONGREGATION:** *They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

- The second offering this morning will be the building repair fund offering.
- Christmas Choir Practice tonight after church.
- **December 16** - Caroling
- **December 20** - Christmas Musical
- **December 25 - Christmas** - 7:00 PM - Candlelight Service
- Our sister church to pray for this week is **Howard, Pennsylvania**. The pastor is Randy Neville.
- Pray for **revival** in our church and community.
- Recent requests from the Cobleskill church include **Caroline, Ann, Ruth, Ralph, Todd, Sharon, and Laverne**.
- Pray for:
  - **Ed and Rosemary Snyder**, and the **Mincers** and the **Bowmans**, coping with fire losses.
  - The **Ford family**.
  - Neighbors, relatives and friends for whom prayer has been requested, including Julia, Butch, Barb, Wayne, and Tim.
  - Our **young people**.
  - The renovation of our church building.
  - Conference President Case and the Council.
  - Our armed services personnel.
  - Our President, Congress, and Supreme Court, that they may make righteous choices.
- Recent requests for physical needs:
  - **Dave, Andrew , Paul Heckman , Gwendolyn Lecates**
- Continue to pray for:
  - **Dean Hughes , Earl Bickford, Marie Rooney, Susan Ford, Kathy Moltzen, Duane Maxey**

*SERVICES — SUNDAY: Sunday School 8:45 AM Morning Worship 9:30 AM, Cobleskill 4:00 PM, Evening 7:00 PM — WEDNESDAY: Midweek Service 7:00 PM*

## Prayer before worship

O Lord, if my mind is cluttered  
with worries too personal to share,  
problems too frightening to face,  
concerns too numerous to name,  
then in this moment of worship,  
help me to find the peace of Christ  
that is too wonderful for words.

—From a church worship bulletin

## Prince of Peace

“What means this glory round our feet,”  
The wise ones mused, “more bright than morn!”  
And voices chanted clear and sweet,  
“Today the Prince of Peace is born!”

“What means this star,” the shepherds said,  
“That brightens through the rocky glen?”  
And angels answering overhead,  
Sang “Peace on Earth, good will to men!”

—James Russell Lowell

### *Suggested Daily Scripture Reading*

	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>
OT	Hosea 4:1-5:15	Hosea 6:1-9:17	Hosea 10:1-14:9	Joel 1:1-3:21
NT	2 John 1:1-13	3 John 1:1-15	Jude 1:1-25	Revelation 1:1-20
PSA	Psalms 125:1-5	Psalms 126:1-6	Psalms 127:1-5	Psalms 128:1-6
PROV	Proverbs 6	Proverbs 7	Proverbs 8	Proverbs 9
	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	
	Amos 1:1-3:15	Amos 4:1-6:14	Amos 7:1-9:15	
	Revelation 2:1-17	Revelation 2:18-3:6	Revelation 3:7-22	
	Psalms 129:1-8	Psalms 130:1-8	Psalms 131:1-3	
	Proverbs 10	Proverbs 11	Proverbs 12	