



Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship
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Advent 1: Peace

Come, **walk in the way** of God's peace.

Prelude

Gathering

Songs: *O Come, O come, Immanuel* (v 1) blue, 172

Reading:

Leader: In the nighttime of despair, we are filled with doubt.

**People: We are overwhelmed with busyness
and the compulsion to do.
We have lost our way.**

Leader: The night is almost over.

We are emerging from our doubt.

People: O God, show us the way of your peace.

Leader: Come quickly, to show us.

All: The dawn is nigh. Show us the way.

Song: *O Come, O come, Immanuel* (vv 3 & 5) blue, 172
Maranatha, come (solo vv 1 & 5) purple, 2

Praising

Advent 1 Reading: Psalm 122

Songs: *Come, thou long-expected Jesus* blue, 178
Arise, your light is come! purple, 30

Song: *Will the Children?* insert

Children's Time Brenda Grimes

Offering

Confessing/Reconciling

Prayer of confession:

Leader: God of peace,

**People: we yearn to walk in your way
but often choose our own path of
turmoil and pain.
Save us, Lord,
from the pride and foolishness of
choosing our own course,
that we may humbly and confidently
follow your lead,
through Jesus Christ, Amen.**

Words of Assurance:

Leader: Throughout the tumult of life,
God holds you close in love.
Rejoice,
because God's wisdom is your guide.
God's compassion is your strength.
God's love is your redemption.

All: Come, let us walk in the way of God's peace!

Song: *Alleluia!* purple, 17

Hearing God's Word

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

New Testament Reading: Matthew 24:36-44

Sermon: Living in the Present Moment

Dan Schrock

Responding

Song of Response: *Day by day*

Day by day, day by day
O, dear Lord, three things I pray:
to see thee more clearly
love thee more dearly
follow thee more nearly, day by day.

Prayers of the people

Doug Baker

Musical Interlude

Welcome/Announcements

(Please pass the friendship registers.)

Sending

Sending Song: *The peace of the earth be with you* green, 77

Benediction:

Come! Walk in the ways of God's peace.

The dawn is breaking!

Christ is coming to free us from despair.

He will show us the way.

Worship Participants:

Worship Leader: Lana Smucker

Song Leader: Terri Plank Brenneman

Accompanist: Terri Plank Brenneman

Offertory: Terri Plank Brenneman

Ushers: Dan and Deb Williams

AV Operator: Phil Bauman

Visuals: Lana Smucker

Hearing assistance devices are available in the room beside the doors to the sanctuary. Please see the A/V operator if you would like one.

We offer childcare during worship after children's time for infants & toddlers. Children under 2 years of age may go to the Cherub Corner room, while 2 and 3 year olds may go to the MYF room.

Infant Care: Sue Byler, Lindsay and Joe Locke

Toddler Care: Dee Albrecht, Cindy Baker, and Issac Daniels

Nurture Hour

Nurture Classes will not be meeting today. You are invited to stay and enjoy a time of fellowship after the worship service.

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