

Dec 1st, 2019  
Minister  
Organist:

## MORNING WORSHIP

11:00 a.m.  
Reverend Steve Boose  
Haydn Evans, L.W.C.M.D.

### Advent I – HOPE

#### GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

**INTROIT:** Come Emmanuel Proce/Besig  
**ADVENT I:** Lighting of the Candle Of Hope: **Joan & Brian Collier**  
**ADVENT SONG:** Come, Emmanuel, Come (Cindy Berry)  
(Choir Only)  
**HYMN:** *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* #122  
**CONGREGATION'S LIFE AND MINISTRY:** **Dennis McLay**  
**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** *Come, Emmanuel, Come*

#### GOD SPEAKS TO US

##### SCRIPTURES

**RESPONSIVE READING:** (Insert)  
(Led by Dennis McLay)  
**GLORIA PATRI**  
**NEW TESTAMENT:** **Luke 1:1-25** (pg 1013)  
**HYMN:** *All Earth Is Waiting* #109  
**SERMON:** *Preparing The Way: He Is Near*  
**REV. STEVE BOOSE**  
**ANTHEM:** The Colors of Winter (arr. Joseph Martin)

#### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

**OFFERTORY:**  
**SHARING OUR BLESSINGS:** Presentation of Gifts  
**SONG OF BLESSING:** # 145, v 4  
**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

## THE WORD MADE VISIBLE

### The Invitation

Hymn

*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

# 534

**(The communion cards will be collected at this time)**

### Apostle's Creed

### Warrant

#### Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*(The prayer begins by approaching the aspect of God as Creator, Father, Life-giver, being thankful for all that we have been given, especially the gift of Jesus Christ. The segment concludes with words to the effect of...)*

Leader: We join with the whole creation to lift our hearts in joyful praise, saying together

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

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*(The prayer continues, with a focus now on Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer, and how He gave us the communion meal to unify us in one heart, one spirit, and one faith. This segment concludes as...)*

**Leader: We proclaim the mystery of faith, saying:**

**All: Christ has died.**

**Christ has risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*We come to the final segment of the prayer, addressing the Holy Spirit, moving from thankfulness for what has been done to intercessions regarding what may yet be. A time of silent supplication may mark this time, after which we conclude with The Lord's Prayer (debts).*

Hear us as we pray boldly with the words that He taught us as we say together:

**Our Father...Amen.**

**Sharing the Elements  
Prayer after Communion  
Amen**

**HYMN:**                    *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*                    **# 110**

**THE DISMISSAL: THE WORD GOES OUT**

**THE BENEDICTION**

**CHOIR AND CONGREGATION:**            *Go Now In Peace*

**THREEFOLD AMEN**

**POSTLUDE:**

**ON RECEPTION AND DEPARTURE**

**Mary Robinson, Helen Wilkinson**

**DUTY ELDER:**                    **Dennis McLay**                    **905-877-2948**

# Knox Presbyterian Church

Advent I - Hope



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