

## GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE

\*Closing Hymn

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

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\*Benediction

Postlude

*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

Lani Smith

### Participants in Today's Service

Pastor	Mark Tippin
Organist	Marilyn Fry
Liturgist	Brad Ward
Head Usher	Patti Christensen
Greeter	Lexie Tippin
Communion Servers	
Tim Schenk	Henry Groenenberg
Debbie Hutchins	Mike Fankhauser

First Presbyterian Church is Reformed congregation and a member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. For more information about First Presbyterian and the EPC denomination, visit our website and Facebook page.

If you have any questions, prayer requests, or are ready and excited to join our mission to reach all of Casper for Christ, contact the church office or Pastor Mark.

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### Welcome to our Visitors

To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come -- this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of Jesus her Lord.

We are glad you are here to worship with us this morning! The pamphlet in the pew pocket will help you get to know our church better, and please fill out and return the visitor form also so that we can get to know you. We have fellowship and refreshments after the service in the parlor, which is through the doors at the front of the sanctuary.

Children are welcomed and encouraged to remain in the worship service, however a nursery is available for infants and pre-school-aged children. Ask anyone around you for directions. Activity bags are also available in the rear of the sanctuary for children to use during the service.



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### ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2016 COMMUNION

*\*Please stand if you are able*

Prelude      *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

Henry Balcombe

### Welcome and Announcements

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### GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE FOR WORSHIP

#### \*Invocation

#### \*Call to Worship From Psalm 24:7-10

Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

People: Who is this King of glory?

Leader: The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

People: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that  
the King of glory may come in.

Leader: Who is this King of glory?

People: The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

\*Opening Hymn      *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

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## GOD HEARS OUR CONFESSION

### Call to Confession

#### Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Almighty God of the prophets, you have called us to glorify your name through our love for you and for one another. We confess that our praise is more on our lips than with our lives. We profess repentance while we resist change; we sing of love, but we curse our enemies; we pray your will be done, but insist on our own way. Have mercy upon us, Father, and cleanse and forgive our selfish ways. We ask this in the name of the one who is and was and is yet to come, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (Silent Confession) Amen!

### Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Brothers and sisters, hear, believe and receive the good news of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God, for His grace.

### Passing of the Peace

Leader: Peace be with you.  
People: And also with you.

### Gloria Patri

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### Anthem

## GOD BRINGS US HIS WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

#### Old Testament Scripture

Proverbs 1:1-7, Pew Bible [Blue] p. 527, [Red] p. 669

#### New Testament Scripture

Luke 10:21-24, Pew Bible [Blue] p. 868, [Red] p. 1104

### Sermon

#### *His Choice Matters More*

Pastor Mark Tippin

## OUR RESPONSE TO HIS WORD

### Sacrament of Communion

\*Communion Hymn *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* (vv. 1-3) #193

Nicene Creed (in unison)

Hymnal p. 846

### Words of Institution

### Distribution of Elements

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

Holy God,

We praise you for your Son Jesus, who shared our weakness, and was tempted in every way as we are; who obeyed you, by suffering and dying for us. You have raised him to rule the world, and given him a name above every name – Lord and Christ. We praise him and we glorify you, great God our Father. Now give us your Spirit in the breaking of bread, so that by your power we may be drawn together and made one with Jesus Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life. Amen.

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### Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

### Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Pastorale*

Frederic Archer

\*Doxology

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