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Welcome To Worship

December 3, 2017

9:30 a.m.

"On That Night..."



First Week of Advent 2017

Welcome to this time of being with God and each other.



*On a spiritual quest? Reached a tipping point? Reach out to Tippe! You are important to us.
 In Christ, there are no strangers, only new and wonderful people to meet each day!
 If you are visiting today, please be sure to sign our Guest Book at the back of the sanctuary
 or fill out a pew card and drop it in the offering plate.
 Our pastor would be glad to call you or pay you a personal visit.
 Just let us know as you sign in...and take a Welcome Packet, too!
 Come back often. We care! We are open for faith! Affirming and open to all!*

Helpful Worship Information



We're Glad You've Come.

*This is a safe place, a sanctuary of worship and prayer,
 comfort and justice-seeking for all God's people and all
 are welcome here
just as you are.*

Our church is a safe sanctuary for children..

*We are proactive to protect our children with trained
 staff, enlightened volunteers,
 and aware congregants.*

*No concealed weapons of any type are allowed on
 Tippecanoe Church premises.*

***Our children are invited to remain in worship
 with us. The exception is first and third Sundays
 of the months during the program year
 when our families host***

"Children's Church" right after Kids' Time.

***We ask children be accompanied
 by an adult at all times throughout
 our morning together!***

*During worship, children are welcome to use a book,
 stuffed animal, or crayons and papers from the bottom
 shelf of the cart at the back of the sanctuary. We want
 the sanctuary to be home to them.*

***When your child (1st grade and under) is restless,
 when you are, when those around you are...***

*you're/we're probably asking too much of everyone.
 Please let your child be in the nursery at times like this.
 Please return borrowed "goodies" to the cart after
 worship.*

Infant through 1st Grade Care

*is available all during worship down the stairs to the
 right to the "nursery."*

In the order of worship, please note... the * indicates
 times to stand as you are able.

Today in Worship



*We open our hearts and minds to the texts,
 confronting the radical nature of God's wisdom.*



"On That Night"

***We are to be renewed...born anew...
 and made able to resist our usual ways of
 thinking about the world!***

*Today's wisdom teachings tell of staying awake,
 noticing what's going on around us, being prepared
 for the beginning of a new time. As Christians, we
 believe the new time is now! Cosmic Time! As
 Isaiah foretells, we are not putty in God's hands.,
 but rather clay on the potter's wheel...becoming
 new! Perhaps the best gift of all this season is the
 good news: Relax! We are a work in process!a
 good work...God's good gift to us and through us!*



Thanks for being here today!

*In deepest gratitude, we give God thanks
 for your presence with us in worship!*



WARNING....

*If you take the Bible literally you may be disappointed
 here. We hope not, but we think you should know that
 we don't take all of scripture literally....
 any more than Jesus did,
 but we DO take it all seriously.*

As you enter, please use this time to greet friends, welcome newcomers, and join in the spirit of community.

As the music begins, gift yourself a few moments of quiet perhaps becoming present to your own life -- your desires and needs and joys. Perhaps using this photo and reflective question to center yourself.

God rejoices in your coming and meets you this morning in special ways that are meant just for you.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

First Week of Advent

Why do we worship? Think on this...

Worship is a human activity, celebrated in the presentness of God...the Sacred, rather than praise required of us by God. And so the "goal" is to help us know (head in our heart) how we relate as individuals to ourselves, others, world, universe.

To celebrate that relationship! To touch sources of creative transformation! To reinterpret our experiences! To reaffirm living in this world which is indeed our sacred and worshipful work to do!

"On That Night..."



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## **WELCOME TO THIS CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY**

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- ✧ **Welcome and Community News**
- ✧ **Readying Ourselves for Worship**

**Surely God is in this place, Holy Ground!  
Surely God is in this place,  
Holy Ground!**

### ✧ **Prelude**

♦ *Lighting the Christ Candle*

♦ *Ring the Bell...an ancient tradition to clarify the air enabling our prayers to rise more easily to our God.*

### **Gathering As God's People**

### ✧ **Becoming Present To God And Each Other**

Let the words of this special music open you anew to this season of worship this morning!

**"A Song of Night"  
Pat and Sheryl**

## ✧ Affirming Our Faith *With Intention*

### Advent Candle-Lighting and Sharing

Barbara and Jack Wooldrage



*A memory shared "On That Night" ...  
one that renews our desire to be born anew...renewed...  
and so resist our usual ways of thinking about the world!*

*For your reflection...*

## ✧ A Moment With God For Each Of Us...

Words of God, Word of God,  
You wait into me like starlight falling on shadow.

You wait into me like leaf and blossom  
unfolding into the unknown.

You wait into me like water yearning to boil.  
You wait into me like clay anticipating  
the potter's hand.

You wait through dreaming darkness  
to the questions of dawn.  
You wait in silence and wait in words.

*Let it be so.*

*After intro, please sing  
twice. Found Hymnal,  
#92, Verse 1.*

## ✧ Kyrie

**While we are waiting come; while we are waiting, come.  
Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting, come.**

*You are invited to light a  
prayer candle now and  
anytime in worship you  
hear a prayer lifted or  
answered.*

## ✧\*Passing of the Peace...*Temenos!*

*Temenos is an ancient Greek concept of creating a safe space  
for others in which healing can take place in the midst of what is.*

*First and Third Sundays  
children are invited  
downstairs to Children's  
Church after Kids' Time!*

*Please remain seated.*

*Feel free to use the space  
offered for your personal  
reflections!*

## **Held WithIn the Word**

✧ **And the Children Will Lead The Way: Kids' Time**

✧ **Hymn of Preparation #89 Hymnal**

**“For You, O Lord, My Soul In Stillness Waits”  
Verses 1, 2, 4,**

✧ **Preparing To Hear The Word....*Our Prayer***

✧ **Bible's Wisdom Teaching and Reflection**

**Isaiah 64: 1-5a, 8-9**

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**Mark 13: 28-37**

One: This is the way our story is told.

God speaks to us anew through ancient stories.

**All: Thanks be to our God.**

✧ **Prompting**

“On That Night”

*“Advent 's Possibility: Cosmic Change A Coming!”*

Pastor Karen Hagen



✧ **A Moment Of Personal Reflection...**

*Please use space on for your personal reflections!*

*Please listen once, then  
sing twice into stillness.*

*Deeply hear this invitation.*

*Based upon today's  
scripture's wisdom.*

*You may want to name  
with God how you need  
God's protection at this  
time in your life; or you  
may want to ask God to  
lift up your talents in new  
ways so you can see them  
more clearly and  
confidently....or ask God  
forgive you the hurt you  
have done someone else  
through your own lack of  
confidence or over-  
confidence; or you may  
simply invite Jesus to  
come sit beside you in the  
pew this morning shining  
his healing light all  
around and through you*

## ✧Sung Reflection

**Sing to me...a sweet, low melody...  
that drifts on darkened breeze invisibly.**

**Sing to me...a song of shadowed trees...  
That bids my heart rejoice...at all its mysteries.**

## Opening to God's Grace

### ✧Opening Ourselves To God's Grace'

### ✧Sharing Our Inner Most Lives With God

Over and over again it says in Mark, "Keep awake and watch!" But what am I watching for? How will I know when it is here?

Well, I *do* know something of what You would have me "see" in my everyday life...it is clearly compassion, grace, just relationships, integrity, honesty...*that flow from the stories of Jesus...which started on that night so long ago.*

Just like the changes in the fig tree foretell the seasons, often I can sense what's called for and what may be coming next. I need to hear the angels say, "Be not afraid!"

So...

As I watch for compassion, help me be compassionate to both strangers and loved ones.

As I watch for grace, help me be gracious to myself as well as others.

As I watch for just relationships, help me be just in my relationships.

As I watch for integrity and honesty, let me show these qualities in my everyday choices.

I am clay in Your hands. It is an understatement to say I am a work in process! Lord, help me live beyond that night into my every day.

This is my prayer.

### ✧A Moment With God For Each Of Us...

Let there be some quiet. We will be "stilled" together  
for 5 minutes or so! You have time....go deeper....

*Please listen to this once  
and then sing once.*

*Found in Hymnal, #95*

*A Sung Response*

*Please call Patti at  
630-674-1272 if you  
would like the Tippe  
Prayer Chain to lift a  
special prayer for you  
this week.*

*All prayers are  
confidential and shared  
with Pastor Karen.*

*Members & Friends*

*Tippe Ministry*

*Spiritual Leaders:*

*Elder*

*Deacon*

*Staff*

*Community*

*Outreach Partners*

*Divine Intervention*

*& Arts and Science*

*Literacy Camps*

*Faith Communities*

*Partnering in Ministry*

*Current Issues Calling*

*Us To Prayer*

## ✧Kyrie

**Prepare the way of the Lord,  
Prepare the way of the Lord,  
And all people will see the salvation of our God.**

## ✧Receiving God's Grace....*God With Us Always*

## ✧Rejoicing In God's Divine Care

**Glory be to the Father, & the Son, & the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. As it was in the beginning, is now  
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. A-men.  
Amen. A-men. Amen. A-men. A-men!**

## ✧Naming Our Gratitudes, Joys, and Concerns

### Throughout This Week Let Us Pray For...

...continued abundance and celebration of possibility as God  
grows Tippe's ministry.

...the continuing flow of guests who grace us with their  
presence.

... these members, spiritual leaders, staff and communities:

◆Ann Andersen and Mark & Shanah Wooldrage

◆Worship

◆Pastor Karen

◆Sheryl Schroeder

◆Larry Hartmann

◆Common Ground and MICAH

◆Holding Guests, Hosts, Staff into the light of our prayer!

◆Holding Teachers, Artists, Children and their Families in the light of  
our prayer!

◆Unity ELCA

◆Employment

◆Immigration Reform

◆Torture Awareness

◆God's Creation: Environmental Concerns

*As you gather around the Table, please listen once and then sing twice.*

*Found in Hymnal, #466*

✧ **Quieting Ourselves For Prayer**

✧ **Sung Call To Prayer #466 Hymnal**

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace.  
You alone, O Lord, are holy.  
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al-le-lu-ia!**

✧ **Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

✧ **Holy Communion**

**Giving Thanks To God**

✧ **Offering Ourselves**

**✧ In Thankfulness  
With Energized Commitment!**

✧ **Offertory and Sung Response:**

**Hymn #146 Worship and Praise "We Are An Offering"**

**"We lift our voices, we lift our hands,  
We lift our lives up to You!  
We are an offering, we are an offering."**

✧ **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Sending Forth With Blessing**

✧ **\*Departing Hymn "A Song Of Night"**

**Sing to me...a gentle song of night...  
Before the moon has reached its lofty height.**

**Sing to me... a song of star's delight...**

**Released to shine above...**

**Free from the day so bright.**

**And when this song has reached its end...**

**Bend your head to me....**

**Whisper the words that were born far above,**

**Ere the moon had swayed the seas...**

**Ere the brightest star did shine:**

**Oldest of words, even older than time,**

**And this heart of mine will stop to hear your song.**

*By permission, Laura Farnell.*

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**Sing to me....a sweet, low melody...  
That drifts on darkened breeze invisibly.**

**Sing to me...a song of shadowed trees...  
That bids my heart rejoice...at all its mysteries.  
And when this song has reached its end...  
Bend your head to me...  
Whisper the words that were born far above,  
ere the moon had swayed the sea...  
ere the brightest star did shine:  
Oldest of words, even older than time,  
And this heart of mine will stop to hear your song.**

**✧\*Benediction**

***...Our Affirmation and Invitation  
to Become a Living Blessing***

**✧\*Our Response**

**Holy One, now we your servants go in peace.  
Your word lives on in us.**

**✧\*Postlude**

***Please join us for Tippe Café right here in the sanctuary.***

As you leave, you are invited to linger longer enjoying sanctuary time. The kneeler is also available for a time of quiet prayer. Please take a copy of a previous prompting from the Cart in the back for your own or another's enrichment!

*Richard Bruxvoort Colligan,  
adapted, with permission*

# Tippeca-News December 3, 2017

*So glad you have come.*

*Join us for Tippe Café right after  
Worship here in the Sanctuary!*

*All Are Welcome!*

TODAY and THIS WEEK at Tippe

Today: Hanging of the Greens and Potluck  
lunch celebration right after worship!  
All welcome!

**Brave Places Letter Writing/Calling Meet-up**  
Where: McDonald's at 6<sup>th</sup> and Oklahoma  
When: 1-2 pm on First Sundays!

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** first and third  
Sundays of each month after Kid's Time in  
worship! Our families will teach us!

**Monday Nights 6:30pm:**  
**Sanctuary Time of Belonging meets  
tomorrow night!**

Come for this worshipful time  
of self-reflection and theological thinking  
as we informally gather around table  
in the sanctuary, closing each gathering  
in prayer and communion.

**Circle of Faith** meets Wednesdays 10:30am in  
the parlor as we reflect on our individual and  
corporate lives through the lens of the wisdom  
teachings...*lectio style!*

**AA Meeting** Wednesday 7pm in Study  
Lounge.

**Bay View Children's Choir** Wednesdays  
4:30-5:30 here at Tippe. 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders  
welcome!

TODAY and THIS WEEK at Living Waters

**Center yourself...Sunday Centering meets  
2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 6pm.** Join us for a time of  
quieting, opening us to the Holy within

**One Blessing** meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> **Tuesday** evenings  
in the sanctuary at 6:30pm.

**Thursday Centering** meets 2:30pm in the parlor.

## UPCOMING ATTRACTIONS!

**Our next ASLC Science Saturday** is in January!  
To know more, email [aslcforkids@gmail.com](mailto:aslcforkids@gmail.com)!

**Lunch Bunch** will meet noon first Tuesdays of  
each month! Except December...on the 18<sup>th</sup>!

## Advent Into Christmas 2017

Our Theme: On That Night!



December 12, 17 – Advent Parlor Class

December 15<sup>th</sup>, Friday, 6:30pm –

**The Advent of Holiness...**  
**Readings, Reflection, Sung Meditation**

December 17 2pm – All Church Caroling followed  
by Hot Chocolate and stories at Daniel Family's home!

**NO SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP  
CHRISTMAS EVE DAY!**

December 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

4:30pm: Special Children's Time With Pastor Karen  
5pm: Hot Wassail and Special Music...*with Singing!*

5:30pm: Candlelight Service of Worship

December 31<sup>st</sup> - New Year's Meditative Worship

Threshold Singing: EXCEPT DECEMBER!

First Friday Nights monthly, 7 - 8:30pm.

**Zensational Yoga for children!**

Third Sundays monthly at 1pm.

## Opening Ourselves To God's Grace

It is said that "On That Night," lost things are found again. We might say, renewed...we might say renewed for resistance to our usual way of thinking about ourselves and our world. "On that night," we are found and renewed...found out and invited to resist. Advent is the time to hurry to the wonder of our faith and slow down enough for our God to take hold of our lives...to hurry and wait so our God can catch up to us and be born in us in ways we never could have conceived of on our own. We hurry and wait in the safe and strong arm of our Lord.

Each with our own beloved story, shaped anew by our Holy Story,  
let us **SILENTLY** lift our prayers to our God  
using the written prayer on page 6 to guide us.



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### **Tippe-Ministers**

*All are ministers every day in every way in the world.*

#### **Today in Leadership**

Pastor..... Karen Hagen  
Director of Music Ministry ..... MaryBeth Garrett  
Ministry Support Associate..... Erin Dentice  
Facility Host..... Margaret Majewski & Jay Paske  
Worship Leader..... Ashley Murphy  
Worship Hosts..... Christian Pavlock  
Nursery Care ..... Natalia and Community  
Director of *Living Waters* ..... Pastor Karen  
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Pastor Karen, Diane, Jane, Tami & Donna  
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**If you have questions regarding our missions and how you can help, please email: [sustainingtippe@gmail.com](mailto:sustainingtippe@gmail.com).**

**To assist with sharing our supper (SOS meals), please contact email: [sosmealsdi@gmail.com](mailto:sosmealsdi@gmail.com).**

**To assist with Larry Under The Bridge, please contact email: [lutbtippedi@gmail.com](mailto:lutbtippedi@gmail.com)**

**If you have donations for Project Home, please contact email: [projecthomed@gmail.com](mailto:projecthomed@gmail.com).**

**For more information about Arts and Science Literacy Camps, please contact email: [aslcforkids@gmail.com](mailto:aslcforkids@gmail.com).**

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