Nurture Hour

Sunday school begins at 11:00 a.m. and ends at 12:00 p.m. First enjoy a time of fellowship after the worship service.

- INFANTS & TODDLERS (ages 0-2) Cherub corner
- PRESCHOOL I (age 3) Joyful class
- PRESCHOOL II (ages 4) Forgiveness class
- PRIMARY (grade K-2) Peaceful class
- MIDDLER (grade 3-5) Gentleness class
- JUNIOR YOUTH JYF (grades 5-7) off Jubilee Hall
- HIGH SCHOOL MYF (grades 8-12) off Jubilee Hall
- COLLEGE Library
- YOUNG ADULT off Jubilee Hall
- ADULTS
 - Better than a Donut end of hallway
 - Bible Alive music room
 - New Life Stage (for people in their 30's and 40's) sanctuary
 - Sermon Response between Jubilee hall and Marilyn's office
 - Spiritual Discernment sanctuary
 - Women's Circle: Tending Our Souls Dan's office

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Advent 2: Justice

God's **justice** is at hand. Come, **walk in the way** of God's justice and peace.

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Prelude

Gathering

Song: O Come, O come, Immanuel (v 1)

Reading:
Leader: In the nighttime of fear, we build walls and fences.
People: Rather than showing hospitality we keep the stranger away.
We forget the truth that God's love is for everyone.
Leader: O God, show us the way of your justice.
People: Come quickly, show us the way of your justice and your peace.

Songs:	<i>O Come, O come, Immanuel</i> (vv 2 & 6)	blue, 172
	<i>Maranatha, come</i> (solo vv 3 & 6)	purple, 2

Praising

Reading: Psalm 72:1-7	
Songs: Comfort, comfort, O my people	blue, 176
Helpless and hungry	purple, 26
My soul cries out	purple, 124
Song: Will the Children?	insert
Children's Time	Dan Adcock
Offering	

Confessing/Reconciling

Prayer of confession: Leader: God of justice,

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:	<i>Come, let us walk in the way of God's justice and</i>	
	God's peace!	
Response S	ong: <i>Gloria</i>	blue, 204

Hearing God's Word

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10	
New Testament Reading: Matthew 3:1,2; 7-12	
Sermon: "What kind of leaders do you want?"	Ron Guengerich

Responding

Song of Response: For the healing of the nations	blue, 367
Prayers of the people	Judy Weaver
Musical Interlude	

Welcome/Announcements

(Please pass the friendship registers.)

Sending

Song: My Lord, he is a-comin' soon

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Benediction:

Come! Walk in the way of God's justice and God's peace. The dawn is breaking! Christ is coming to free us from chaos and despair. Christ will show us the way.

Worship Participants:

Worship Leader: Dan Schrock Song Leader and Pianist: Terri Plank Brenneman Offertory: Terri Plank Brenneman Ushers: Merrill and Clare Krabill 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: Janice Hostetler, Laura and Randy Horst Toddler Care: Linda Liechty, Denise Risser, Angela Shenk

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