

Worship on the Lord's Day
Fourth Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 19, 2010 – 9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

Prelude *Good King Wenceslas*- arr. Joanne Margin String Ensemble
Hannah Jacobs, Brady Rempe, Jocelyn Roof - Violin

Welcome and News of the Church Rev. Tricia Jacobs

Advent Candle Liturgy Wayne and Brenda Jacobson (9:00)
Brian and Christine McConnell (11:15)

Advent Carol *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* #154 (verse 4)

Call to Worship: Rev. Jim Guyer

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: **O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.**

Leader: I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.

People: **This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble.**

Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

*Praise Hymn *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* #153

*Prayer of Confession (Unison) Rev. Guyer

Holy God of grace and judgment, we are grateful that your mercy is from generation to generation. You chose to visit us as a child in a manger, love us when we are unworthy, and salvage our lives. And yet, we admit that there is much in us that is not ready to receive you. Our lives are busy to the point of exhaustion, and our anxiety overload turns prayer dry and flattens our joy. O God, forgive us for our self-centeredness. We need your mercy. Hear us as we confess to you our personal sins...(a moment of silent confession)

*Assurance of Pardon Rev. Guyer

Leader: People of faith, the good news of the gospel is that God is for us, not against us. By God's grace, your sins...and mine... are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*Gloria Patri #734

The Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer Rev. Jacobs

Offering as our Response to God's Grace

Offertory *What Is This Lovely Fragrance* Mabel Rempe, Piano Solo
– Traditional French Carol, arr. John Leavitt

Prayer of Dedication Rev. Jacobs

Reading of Scripture Isaiah 11:1-4a Rev. Guyer

The Children's Christmas Musical
"Good King Wenceslas"

A Christmas Musical for children, based on the kindhearted King Wenceslas of Bohemia, told in the carol, *God King Wenceslas*

Overture

Jesty's Dance – Instrumental Ensemble

Scene One

Christmas Day, 925 A.D.
Prague, Bohemia

Night Song – Duet: Anna and Jack

Scene Two

The next day, St. Stephen's Day, in the evening
on the steps of the king's palace.

All Folk Should Be Glad – Chorus

Kings Fanfare – Instrumental music

Glory to God in the Highest – Chorus with Trio: Bohemian Sisters

Scene Three

On the steps of the king's palace

Good King Wenceslas – Chorus with King and Page

Scene Four

Later in the evening, St. Stephen's Day
In the small hut of the widow Anna and her young son, Zack

Night Song (Reprise) – Duet: Anna and Jack

Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Peace) – Chorus

*Closing Hymn *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice* #198

*Benediction Rev. Jacobs

*Postlude *Jesty's Dance* – Hal H. Hopson Instrumental Ensemble
(*stand if you are able)

Enter to worship. Depart to serve.

Thank you to all the children, volunteers and parents who made this Children's Christmas Musical possible.

Participants in the Musical

Zack: Christian Smith (The young son of the widow Anna)

Anna: Danielle Anderson (A poor widow, mother of Zack)

Page: Andrew Oleson (King Wenceslas' page)

Jesty: Laura Monson (King Wenceslas' court jester)

King Wenceslas: Ryan Malecek (King of Bohemia)

Heinrich Von Squash: Ben Rempe (A farmer)

Karl Von Goods: Jacob Kuhn (A merchant)

Hilda Von Timber: Ethan Sliger (A woodcutter)

The Bohemian Sisters: Ainsley Harris, Allyson Andriano, Jenna Greve

Messenger Choir (1st - 5th grade)

Church Mice Choir (age 3 and kindergarten)

Drama Director: David and Libby Waterbury

Music Director: Taemin Han

Piano Accompanist: Mabel Rempe

Choir Aids: Darby Kurtz, Shelly Smith

Instrumental Ensemble:

Grace Han, Katie Yarwood – flute; Amy Greve, Jennifer Owen-Kuhn - handbells

John Baskerville – bass, Jackie Malecek – tambourine

Costumes: Kim Porter Sound: Roger Davis

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