



DUNDEE
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

December 17, 2023 – Third Sunday of Advent

We're grateful for your presence today!

We believe our purpose is to love God and share Jesus Christ. We strive to be a congregation in which all feel welcomed and find opportunities to engage and grow. Wherever you are in your journey with God, we want you to know you are welcome here.

We are pleased to offer nursery care for children 0-3 years old at every service.



Dundee Church Advent and Christmas

Dec. 17 – Dundee Children Sing at 11 AM with the choir

Dec. 17 – Third Sunday of Advent, Worship at 9 AM & 11 AM

Dec. 17 – Blue Christmas Service, 3 PM

**Dec. 20 – Dundee Church Night, 5:30 PM Dinner,
6:30 PM Bible Study for all ages – Adult Bible Study, "Angels"**

Dec. 22 – DPC Youth Group Christmas Party, 7-11 PM

**Dec. 24 – Fourth Sunday of Advent,
Christmas Eve Worship at 9 AM & 11 AM**

Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve Worship Services at 4 PM & 9 PM



**Prayer in the Chapel with the Prayer Team
after worship services.**

**Sunday Worship @ 9AM & 11AM
5312 Underwood Ave. Omaha, NE 68132
402-558-2330 // www.dpcomaha.org**

Join in Worship, Sundays at 9 & 11AM also on [Facebook.com/dpcomaha](https://www.facebook.com/dpcomaha)
Church of the Air is broadcast on 1110 KFAB, Sundays at 8:30AM
The Dundee Church Podcast – on Facebook, YouTube and dpcomaha.org

Blue Christmas

Today,
December 17
3 PM

If you have Care Ministry questions, contact Regina Wilson, 402-884-7787



Christmas Joy Offering

As we annually sing “What Child Is This?” – we prepare our hearts during this Advent season to give our Dundee Christmas Joy Offering during worship services on December 17 and Christmas Eve in special envelopes found throughout the church. In awe of God’s greatest gift to us, our Christmas Joy Offering provides assistance to church workers – past, present and future – who point us toward God. Every time we echo angels speaking words of peace on earth/Every time we live as shepherds witnessing moments of new birth/Every time we see God giving gifts beyond all earthly worth – in our living, in our giving, we are there. Be there.



CHRISTMAS JOY
SPECIAL OFFERINGS

LEADERSHIP: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

2023 Advent Devotional



Follow along in a devotional journey through the Advent season with the Apocalyptic Advent – Embracing Hope In The 2nd Coming Of Christ. You can access the webpage with the QR Code, a link will be included in the weekly email and printed copies are available here at church.

CHURCH OFFICES HOURS

Mon to Thurs. – 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Fri. – 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

If you would like to have a church announcement in the bulletin or online please e-mail your information to Shelly at bulletins@dpcomaha.org.

Please observe all parking and non-parking zones around the church.

Meditation – Let's write a song, shall we? Sometimes, a great song is written by the composer on a napkin in about ten minutes. A song can be instantly and unexpectedly inspired out of a dream, or because the composer finds themselves in the right place or the right mood. Other times, a great composition is the product of months or even years of work. The Bible contains several songs, and they all are in reaction to the great things of God.

PREPARATION FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Prelude

Dr. Wayne Kallstrom

Once in Royal David's City (Lachenauer)

Announcements

Minute for Mission

Introit *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

Choir

Advent Candle Lighting
The Candle of Joy

Liz Schaben
Joanie Johnson
child of Eric and Abbey Johnson

Congregation Respons *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!

Call To Worship

Let us all rejoice in the Lord! Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, God has brought good news to us! The year of the Lord's favor is here!

**There is hope! There is liberty! There is forgiveness and life!
God has shined His pure light into our dark world!**

May the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your Spirit and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord.

**The One who calls us is faithful. He will do this. Jesus has
blessed us with mercy and grace. He will not forsake us.**

Let us be reminded of our own baptism, long ago. Let us remember that God has led us through the waters to a new and blessed land.

**Through the miracle of God's grace, I am a new creation.
The reasons for praise and joy are greater than any
sorrow.**

Invocation

Opening Hymn *Angels We Have Heard On High Hymn 152

Verse 1

Angels we have heard on high
sweetly singing o'er
the plains,
and the mountains in reply
echo back their joyous strains.

Refrain

Gloria in excelsis Deo,
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Verse 2

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous
strains prolong?
Say, what may the tidings be
which inspire your
heavenly song? [Refrain]

Verse 3

Come to Bethlehem, and see
him whose birth the
angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the
newborn King. [Refrain]

Verse 4

See within a manger laid
Jesus, Lord of heaven
and earth!
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
sing with us our Savior's
birth. [Refrain]

CONFESSON AND FELLOWSHIP

Call to Confession

Rev. J.D. Georlett

Unison Prayer of Confession

O God, we confess that our pain and our worries and fears quite often bury our praise and worship of You. Your goodness and faithfulness to us happens in the midst of the world that we occupy. It is a world of disappointment and discouragement, and we allow those feelings to be stronger in us than our trust in You. When we do, there are no songs of praise that spring from our hearts. We wait for life to align the way that we want, before giving You the gifts that You deserve. We wait until life is perfect, and then many months pass, and we have said nothing to You at all. Please forgive us for not properly celebrating all that You have done for us. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. J.D. Georlett

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.

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*Passing of the Peace of Our Lord

Leader: The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Congregation: And also with you.

Moment with Children

Children age 3 to 5th grade are dismissed for Kids Own Worship

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Anthem *Peace, Peace* (Powell) Adult Choir & Childrens Choirs

The Morning Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES & GIFTS TO GOD

The Calling to Christian Offering

Offertory

Canon de Noel (Arr. Martin)

Lisa Lever, piano

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer and Dedication of the Offering

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Old Testament Scripture Psalm 126

New Testament Scripture 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Today's Sermon

"Joy"

Rev. J.D. Georlett

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CELEBRATING THE LIVING WORD

*Closing Hymn *Away In A Manger* Hymn 146

Verse 1

Away in a manger,
no crib for a bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid
down His sweet head:
the stars in the sky
looked down where He lay,
the little Lord Jesus
asleep in the hay.

Verse 2

The cattle are lowing,
the Baby awakes,
but little Lord Jesus,
no crying He makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus,
look down from the sky
and stay by my side until
morning is nigh.

Verse 3

Be near me, Lord Jesus;
I ask thee to stay
close by me forever,
and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children
in thy tender care,
and fit us for heaven, to
live with thee there.

Benediction

*Benediction Response *Blessings*

Choir

*Postlude

Chorus of Shepherds (Lemmens)

Dr. Wayne Kallstrom, piano

