Plymouth Congregational United Church of ChristWednesday Advent Worship Series: HopeDecember 9, 2020 at 7:30 PMBlue Service

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Quote for Contemplation Lexi Behrndt It's okay. It's okay to miss them. It's okay to say their name. It's okay to cry. It's okay to laugh. It's okay to breathe deeply. It's okay to smile when you think of them. It's okay to function. It's okay to have days when you can't function.

Prelude

Flute Duet in C Minor

Silence

Words of Welcome Response from all: Love remains in the face of fear, and fear does not overcome it.

Hymn	The Day You Gave Us, God, Is Ended	NCH (black) #95
		Verses 3, 4 and 5
	Hymn is printed at the end of the order of service.	

Silence

Litany to Open adapted from Psalm 22 Leader: My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? Why are You so far from helping me, so far from the words of my groaning? O my God, I cry by day, but You do not answer, and by All: night, but I find no rest. In You, our ancestors trusted. They trusted and You delivered Leader: them. All: It was You who brought me to creation. You who kept me safe. Since coming to creation, You have been my God. Leader: Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.

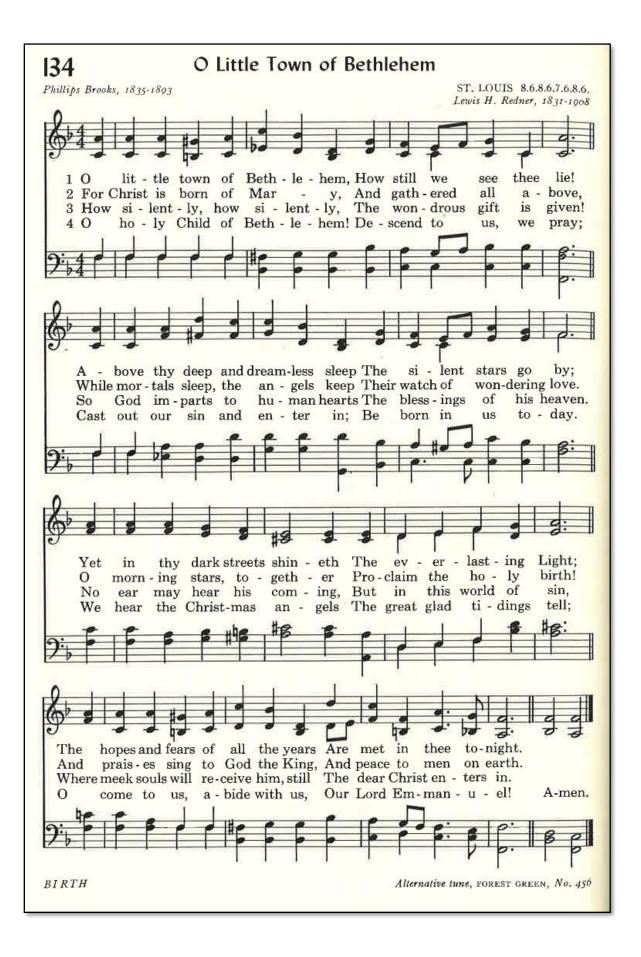
	God does not despise the affliction of the afflicted. God does not hide from me. When I cry to God, God hears me. Thanks be to God.			
Interlude	The Black Ha	rp Matthew C. Heumann		
Prayer with candle lighting				
Scripture		Ecclesiastes 3:1-11		
Silence				
Reflection	าร	Rev. Sara M. Holland		
Silence				
Hymn	O Little Town of B	ethlehem PH (red) #134		
Benedicti	on			
Postlude	Solstice C	Carol Matthew C. Heumann		
Special th	anks to:			

Peggy Martin for offering special music this evening Eileen Torrey for providing worship leadership Ashley Paine for offering musical leadership alongside David Williams *and* to David Williams for his excellent attention to technology details

What is Advent?

Advent is the beginning of our church year. We ready ourselves for the birth of Jesus and remember the hope, joy, peace, love and faith provided by our religious tradition. Many of our practices in the Christian Church and the United States come from a variety of customs and cultures. We pray that the hope of the Christ child is revealed throughout this season.







is due Tuesday, December 15th





Poinsettias Order Form

Poinsettias will again grace our sanctuary for Christmas. This is also the time that we replenish the Hope Fund. The Hope Fund is used by our pastor to help those in need. The Hope Fund is a separate account from the Flower Fund, so please check if you want to donate to that fund. Thank you for contributing to this effort!

CIRCLE YOUR CHOICE

Single Stem \$15.00

Double Stem \$25

HOPE Fund \$15 minimum

If you would like to support the HOPE Fund, please write a separate check

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In Loving Memory of: _____

In Thanksgiving for:_____

In Celebration of:_____

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