

FAIRLAWN CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

DECEMBER 20, 2020 | 10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: “On Christmas Night” Paxton
“Silent Night / Angels We Have Heard on High” Faber
“O Holy Night” Adams

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Advent Candle Lighting: based on [John 3: 16–19](#)

Ministry in Music: “[Go, Tell it on the Mountain](#)”

God’s Greeting

Prayer of the Day

God of grace, ever faithful to your promises, the earth rejoices in hope of our Savior’s coming and looks forward with longing to his return at the end of time. Prepare our hearts to receive him when he comes, for he is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession

God’s Will for Our Lives: [Titus 2:11–13, II Peter 3:13–18](#)

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: based on [1 Timothy 1:15](#)

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

Sermon: *When God Breaks In* [Luke 1:46–55](#)

Hymn: “[O Little Town of Bethlehem](#)”

OUR RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

Offertory Prayer

Offerings may be placed in the baskets at the back of the sanctuary as you leave, be mailed to the church, or [given online](#).

Confession of Faith [Apostles’ Creed](#)

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Benediction: [Romans 15:13](#)

Doxology: “[Angels We Have Heard on High](#)”

Postlude: “And the Glory of the Lord” Handel

*At the conclusion of the service, **please be seated** to allow the ushers to coordinate an orderly dismissal.*

Minister: Rev. Joel Vande Werken
Organ: Sharon Bakker | Piano: Laurie Vander Baan, Katie Vande Werken
Liturgists: Cary & Kris Vanden Akker, Lucas Foppema
Prayer of the Day from Book of Common Worship #131