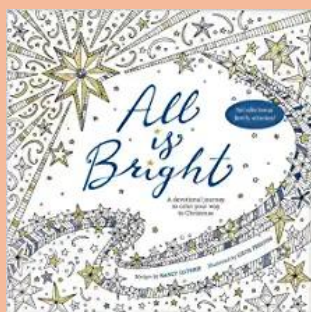


# Covenant of Grace Worship Service

November 28, 2021



The church has purchased an advent devotional for each family, not just families with children. Each family may pick up one book to use during the advent season. Books will be located in Covenant Corner and the Welcome Center. It includes a daily devotional beginning December 1st, adult coloring pages, and children's coloring pages. We hope you enjoy this book and draw closer to the Lord during this season.



Children through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, if your child is under 5 please have a parent or teen stay with them. Light Lunch provided. Program is 2 hours, so parents can go out to eat.

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS JIM BEACHLEY  
PREPARING FOR WORSHIP/CANDLELIGHTING  
ACOLYTE, LEAH PATTERSON  
"COME, THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS"  
CALL TO WORSHIP ISAIAH 9:2 CHRIS BAKER, LEADER  
"O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL"  
"O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL"

INVOCATION  
WE CONFESS OUR SINS PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before You, our sinful nature prone to evil and lazy in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned, in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. But You, O Lord, have pity upon us, we who are ashamed and sorry for all the ways we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, help us to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen.*

DECLARATION OF PARDON MATTHEW 1:18-22  
"WHAT CHILD IS THIS?"

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

WE SHARE OUR CONCERNS PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

WE EXPRESS OUR THANKS LUKE 1:46-50

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD  
SCRIPTURE \*ISAIAH 9:6

6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

MESSAGE NEW SERIES:  
THE GREAT NAMES OF THE PROMISED MESSIAH  
#1 WONDERFUL COUNSELOR  
PASTOR HERB RUBY

OUR RESPONSE OF FAITH "IN CHRIST ALONE"  
BENEDICTION

*\*children ages 3 through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to attend Kids worship in the Fellowship Hall.*

# Announcements

DECORATE THE SANCTUARY  
AND REMEMBER A LOVED ONE

*Poinsettia Sale*



**To place your order:** Complete the form (along with payment) located in the sanctuary, on the buffet table in the box marked Poinsettias.

**Deadline** for ordering flowers in Sunday, December 12th.  
Take your Poinsettia home on Christmas Eve

Order flowers by Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, forms located in the back of the sanctuary



Secure online giving for your tithes and offerings is now available @ [cogpca.churchcenter.com/giving](http://cogpca.churchcenter.com/giving)  
Additionally, new offering boxes have been mounted near the exits to the COG Worship Center.

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## SERMON NOTES

New Series: The Great Names of the Promised Messiah  
***“Wonderful Counselor”***

Isaiah 9:6

Introduction

Big Idea: We can know Jesus as our wonderful counselor.

I. Jesus the Messiah is given to us as a gift..

1. This child is God’s gift to us.
2. This child is God incarnate. Is. 7:14
3. This child is the promised “Son of David.”
4. This child will rule over His Kingdom.

II. This child will do supernatural things.

1. The meaning of wonderful:  
Hebrew Peleh.
2. He is Emmanuel, God with us. Mt 18:20

III. Jesus’ counsel to us is wonderful.

Heb. yoetz = one who gives wise advice.  
Gr. paraklesis = one who comes beside.

Conclusion

**Next Week’s Sermon:**

**Second Sunday of Advent**

**Isaiah 9:6**

**“Mighty God”**

**Mark Samuel, preaching**