

Traditional Worship Service

Room In Your Heart

December 7, 2025

Sanctuary: Room For All

Length
in mins

5:00 Prelude

1:30 Live Stream Startup

3:00 Introit

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5:00 Welcome & Announcements

1:00 Call To Worship

Liturgist: Rev. June Webster

Leader: Prepare the way of the Lord!

People: We come, ready to clear the clutter of our minds and hearts and make room.

Leader: In the wilderness, a voice cries out.

People: We hear the call to repent, to release what weighs us down.

Leader: Make room in your hearts, for Christ is drawing near.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, and dwell among us.

3:30 *O Come O Come Emmanuel*

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1:00 Lighting of the Advent Candles

Lighters:

Reader: Today, we light the candle of Peace. God calls us to prepare the way by uncluttering our hearts and making space for Christ.

Reader: In Christ, our burdens are lifted and our paths made straight.

Reader: As we light this candle, we welcome the One who is our peace.

(Light the first and second candle.)

All: Come, Lord Jesus, our Peacemaker.

3:30 Special Music

"A Canon Of Praise", Chorale

5:00 A Time for Children

Noelle Allison, Director of Children and Families

Indicate special props, placement and movement if known.

1:00 Scripture Readings

Mark 1:1-8

5:00 Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

1:00 Offering Our Gifts to The Lord - Breakthrough Prayer

John the Baptist reminded the people that true preparation is not just in words but in action. When we give, we create room for Christ to work through our church and into our community, as we are the hands and feet of Christ in this world.

All: O God, we offer ourselves to you. We are your people and this is your church. Use our gifts and breakthrough in new ways as we seek to love our neighbors and be a beacon of Christ-centered hope to our community. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

4:00 Offertory

"Do You Have Room?", Elizabeth Gore Stanley

1:00 *Doxology*

15:00 Message

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Pastor Laura Rainwater

Length in mins

Scripture: No additional scripture

1:00 **Prayer of Confession**

Leader: Prince of Peace, we confess that our lives are full of clutter. We carry grudges that weigh us down. We let divisions grow between neighbors, coworkers, and even family members. We fill our days with noise and hurry, leaving little room for your still, small voice. We resist your call to prepare the way, because preparing requires change, and change feels hard. Forgive us, O Lord. Clear a space in our hearts for your peace to dwell. Teach us to walk in your ways, to seek reconciliation, and to be peacemakers in your world. Amen.

1:00 **Words of Assurance**

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ himself is our peace. The clutter of sin is cleared away, and the way to God is made open. In Christ, we are forgiven and set free to walk in peace.
All: Thanks be to God!

2:00 ***Sanctuary***

TFWS #2164 - sing twice

8:00 **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

3:00 ***Savior Of The Nations, Come (String Orchestra)***

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1:00 **Benediction**

2:00 **Postlude**

65:00

Tech

9:00 Video Tech

Bruce Pearson

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Ryan Aldridge