

Knox Presbyterian Church

5406 Roome Street, Halifax, NS. B3K 5K7

Prayer on Entering the House of the LORD

O God as we enter your house we seek your peace for our hearts. Comfort your faithful who gather in your name. Help us to know your will for us that we may go out to joyfully serve your Kingdom in Word and deed. As we prepare our hearts for your Son's coming, may we be found spotless, with a spirit of gentleness in our hearts and on our lips this day and always. Oh come, oh come, Emmanuel. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Order of Worship for 2nd Sunday of Advent December 4, 2011

We gather in God's name to worship

Organ Prelude

Welcome and announcements

Call to Worship

Lighting the Advent Candle of Peace – David Jones

*Hymn #113: *Comfort, comfort you my people*

Prayer of Adoration, Confession and Assurance of Pardon

*Hymn #128: *There's a voice in the wilderness crying*

We hear the Word proclaimed

Children's message

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 40:1 – 11 (700)
Psalm 85:1 – 2, 8 – 13 Book of Psalms
2Peter 3:8 – 15a (1182)
Mark 1:1 – 8 (968)

Leader: The Word of the LORD **People: Thanks be to God**

Choir Anthem

Sermon: Looking forward in anticipation of God's intervention

We respond to God's Word

*Hymn #142: *I wonder as I wander*

The Offering

*Presentation & Dedication of our Gifts (Doxology #830)

Pastoral Prayer and the LORD's Prayer (*debts & debtors*)

We go forth to serve God

*Hymn #122: *Oh come, oh come, Emmanuel*

*Commissioning and Benediction

*Choral "Amen"

*Please stand if you are able

We extend a warm welcome to all who are joining us for worship this morning. If this is your first time worshipping with us, we would be delighted if you would sign our Guest Book. We invite you to stay for coffee/tea and fellowship following the service in the lobby so that we may have an opportunity to get to know you a little better. May God grant His blessing upon you and this gathering of His people.

Ministers: The whole people of God who call Knox their home

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Today's bulletins are in memory of Milbourne Beattie

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sundays 10:15 – 10:45 – Prayer meeting in the Parlour: join us as we gather for prayer in discerning God's plan for this, His church.

Thurs Dec 1st – 7:00 p.m. – Everyone is invited to our Bible study as we continue to prepare our hearts to receive our King.

Wed Dec 7th – Rev. Brian will be out of the office attending a special meeting of Presbytery at First Sackville Presbyterian Church.

Sat Dec 10th – 9:00 a.m. – Everyone is invited to join us for our congregation breakfast at Jim's Restaurant, 243 The Bedford hwy.

Sun Dec 11th – 11:00 a.m. – we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism. If anyone wishes to become a member of Knox at that time, please speak to Rev. Brian following the service.

Sun Dec 18th – 11:00 a.m. – we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion: O taste and see the LORD is good.

Texts for next Sunday – Advent 3 – Joy

Isaiah 61:1 – 4, 8 – 11

Luke 1:46b – 55

1Thessalonians 5:16 – 24

John 1:6 – 8, 19 – 28