*BENEDICTION Rev. Leek

*RESPONSE TO BENEDICTION

Emmanuel – Hymn #134

POSTLUDE

*Stand, as able.

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THE LITURGY FOR GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. RJ Leek

Lay Leader

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Good Christian Men, Rejoice *O Come, All Ye Faithful As with Gladness Men of Old Sufficient Grace & Congregation Sufficient Grace & Congregation Sufficient Grace & Congregation

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Responsive)

Please hear us, loving God when we cry to You, be gracious to us and answer our prayer.

If we have slid away from new opportunities, or failed to give our best effort to long familiar duties, forgive us and restore us, merciful Friend.

Christ Jesus is our light and salvation, of whom shall we be afraid?

If we have become weary, and slipped into mirroring the prejudices and dissatisfactions of a greedy and unjust world, forgive us and heal us, merciful Friend.

Christ Jesus is our light and salvation, of whom shall we be afraid?

If we have performed well in public, smoothly keeping up appearances, while our personal faith has grown shabby and weak, forgive us and rehabilitate us, merciful Friend.

Christ Jesus is our light and salvation,

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Responsive)

Loving God, You are not impatient and tight fisted like us, Your generosity flows freely to all Your creatures. We praise You that our sins are forgiven, and that the future has again become an open door.

Thanks be to You, God of grace and glory! Through Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen. ADVENTURE TIME ANTHEM

Becca Redding Chancel Choir

*APOSTLES CREED

Lay Leader

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Offering

Music

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, Ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

*Prayer of Dedication

Lav Leader

Rev. Leek

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

Our Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE SCRIPTURE

Lay Leader

Galatian 4: 4-7

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Rev. RI Leek

"Timing"

HYMN OF RESPONSE

O Little Town of Bethlehem – Hymn #141 (verses 1 & 4)

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PASSING THE PEACE Re

Rev. Leek

Lav Leader

(Worship service order is on the back of the bulletin.)