Montgomery United Methodist Church

The Rev. Dr. Anthony J. Godlefski, Senior Pastor Dr. Laura Bell, Organist and Pianist Deb Ploe, Media director; Barbara Ewick, Soprano Dylan Boger, Worship Assistant and Percussionist ******

5 December 2021, 9:30 AM - Holy Communion The 2nd Sunday in Advent

PRELUDE: "The Snow Lay on the Ground"

arr. H. Livingston

WORDS OF WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

SPOKEN CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day which the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it! O come, let us sing unto the Lord; Let us sing to the Lord with songs of praise!

HYMN #238 - "Angels We Have Heard on High" (vs. 1 & 2)

1. Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains, and the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains.

Refrain:

Gloria in excelsis Deo, gloria in excelsis Deo.

2. Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong? What the gladsome tidings be which inspire your heav'nly song? (Refrain)

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Infant Lowly" Chancel Choir

MORNING MEDITATION - Barbara

SONG AND KIDS' CORNER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Every day, in countless ways, we are blessed by God.

God blesses and increases all that I have, all that I give, and all that I receive.

We live in the constant flow of God's blessings and love.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

OFFERING: "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" arr. M. Hayes

DOXOLOGY - "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

SCRIPTURE: *Reader:* This is the Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

SERMON: Pastor Anthony J. Godlefski

HYMN #206 – "I Want to Walk" (vs. 1 & 2)

1. I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to follow Jesus. God sent the stars to give light to the world; The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain:

In Him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2. I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear Sun of righteousness shine on my path and show me the way to the Father. (Refrain)



The Sacrament of Holy Communion



GREETINGS

HYMN #202 - "People, Look East" (vs. 1 & 3)

1. People, look east. The time is near of the crowning of the year. Make your house fair as you are able,

trim the hearth and set the table. People, look east and sing today: Love, the Guest, is on the way.

3. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim, one more light, the bowl shall brim, shining beyond the frosty weather, Bright as sun and moon together. People, look east and sing today: Love, the Star, is on the way.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Pat-a-Pan" arr. R. Thygerson