

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AT IPC

Sunday, 29 November	First Sunday in Advent worship 11:30 Online Zoom Fellowship Time 13:00.
Wednesday, 2 December	Adult Study, 20:30.
Sunday, 6 December	Second Sunday in Advent worship 11:30 Online Zoom Fellowship Time 13:00.
Monday, 7 December	Church Council, 20:00
Saturday, 12 December	Drop-off for Nativitas, 14:00-16:00

November's **Mission of the Month** is Nativitas. More information can be found in an insert in today's bulletin.

Our **Wednesday study group** continues its study of Cynthia Rigby's *Holding Faith: A Practical Introduction to Christian Doctrine*. Newcomers are welcome!

Everyone is invited to online **Zoom Fellowship** at 13:00 today and next Sunday.

Sharing our Treasures

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THE INTERNATIONAL PROTESTANT CHURCH OF BRUSSELS

First Sunday of Advent November 29, 2020

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Prelude No. 1, Op.87 (Dmitri Shostakovich)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Menuet I & II from the Calliope Suite (Johann Caspar Fischer)

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN (ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR)

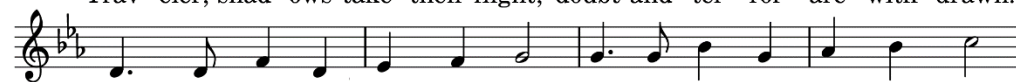
"Watchman, Tell us of the Night"



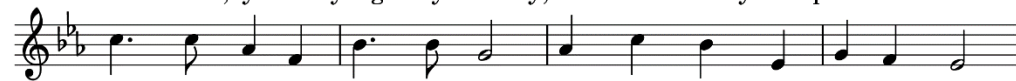
1 Watch - man, tell us of the night, what its signs of prom - ise are.
2 Watch - man, tell us of the night; high - er yet that star as - cends.
3 Watch - man, tell us of the night, for the morn - ing seems to dawn.



Trav - eler, what a won - drous sight: see that glo - ry - beam - ing star.
Trav - eler, bless - ed - ness and light, peace and truth its course por - tends.
Trav - eler, shad - ows take their flight; doubt and ter - ror are with - drawn.



Watch - man, does its beau - teous ray news of joy or hope fore - tell?
Watch - man, will its beams a - lone gild the spot that gave them birth?
Watch - man, you may go your way; has - ten to your qui - et home.



Trav - eler, yes; it brings the day, prom - ised day of Is - ra - el.
Trav - eler, a - ges are its own; see, it bursts o'er all the earth.
Trav - eler, we re - jice to - day, for Em - man - u - el has come!

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

ADVENT PRAYER

Faithful God, who brings the order of peace out of the chaos of conflict, fill us with all joy and peace in believing, that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* HYMN (O WALY WALY)

"God, Be with Us Who Watch and Wait"



1. God, be with us _____ who watch and wait _____ with hearts a -
2. We watch and wait _____ for your new day. _____ The night is
3. The watch night bears _____ our eve - ry prayer. _____ We pray our
4. The new day dawns _____ when Christ shall reign, _____ all power and



fraid _____ and hopes a - side. _____ Our vig - il kept _____ in prayer - ful long, _____ but dawn is sure. _____ Our hearts make read - y, o - pen read - i - ness be blessed. _____ Lord, un - to long - ing spir - its mys - ter - y un - sealed _____ in one who comes _____ to bring new



song, _____ O God of time, _____ be near to _____ guide. _____ wide, _____ to be for - giv - en and made pure. _____ come, _____ and bring your peo - ple hope and rest. _____ life, _____ and God's full glo - ry to re - veal. _____

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING (see insert)

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

* GOSPEL READING (see insert)

Mark 13:24-37

*This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!*

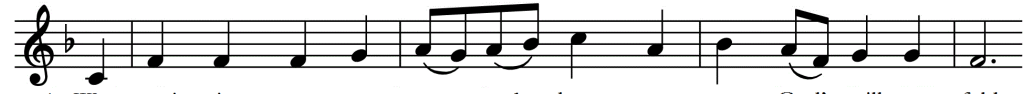
SERMON

* HYMN (FOREST GREEN)

"O Promised One of Israel"



1. O Prom-ised One of Is - ra - el by pro - phets long fore - told,
2. In si - lent suf - fer- ing some a - wait your reign of jus - tice here,
3. Cre - a - tion stands a - lert and tense to see your sov'-reign power.



1. We wait in ur - gen - cy and hope to see God's will un - fold.
2. While oth - ers dulled by wealth and ease can - not ex - plain their fear.
3. You choose to come a ti - ny Child re - vealed this day and hour.



1. The dark of night and cold pre - dawn a - rouse our anx - ious fears,
2. When proph - ets spoke and Ma - ry sang of ta - bles o - ver-turned,
3. O grant us pa - tience to re - ceive with - out pre - tense or pride



1. Help us to see the light a - head through tri - als, doubts and tears.
2. Dare we ad - mit, in trem - bling awe, our hearts with - in us burned?
3. The gift of God's re - deem - ing grace: A Sav - ior by our side.

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* OUR CHURCH FAMILY

* BENEDICTION

"La fille aux cheveux de lin" (Claude Debussy)

* POSTLUDE

Those Serving Today

Pastor:	The Rev. Dr. David B. McCarthy
Worship Leader	Frederique Pacagnella
Pianist/Organist:	Philippe Jonckheere
Camera operator:	Étienne De Vries