

The Holy Way Presbyterian Church



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December 3, 2023 9:30am
Rough Times? Hope is Coming...

Prelude:

Dr. Astrid Chan

Opening Christmas Carol: *It's Beginning to Look A Lot Like Christmas*
Ensemble

Welcome to Worship:
Opening Prayer

Rev . Tina Salvaneschi

Lighting of Advent Candle:
(Light the purple Faith Candle)

Jackie and Joe Riegert

Mark 13:24-27, 32-36

The Coming of the Son of Man

24 “But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; **25** the stars of heaven will fall, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. **26** Then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. **27** And then He will send His angels, and gather together His elect from the four winds, from the farthest part of earth to the farthest part of heaven.

No One Knows the Day or Hour

32 “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. **33** Take heed, watch and pray; for we do not know when the time is. **34** *It is* like a man going to a far country, who left his house and gave authority to his servants, and to each his work, and commanded the doorkeeper to watch. **35** Watch therefore, for we do not know when the master of the house is coming—in the evening, at midnight, at the crowing of the rooster, or in the morning— **36** lest, coming suddenly, he find us sleeping. **37** And what I say to you, I say to all: **Watch!**”

Opening Hymn: *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* (Hymn 82)
Terry Saxton

Birthday's and Anniversaries
Sing Happy Birthday/Anniversary

Stephen Levine
Terry Saxton

If you want to participate in our tradition of celebrating your birthday or anniversary by giving money towards church building, renovation, improvement, sound systems, just waive your hand, and Pastor Tina will receive your gift.

Celebrations, Joys and Concerns

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

The People of the Congregation Share Joys and Concerns

(Someone will bring the microphone around)

...The Lord's Prayer

People: 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

Anthem: *Angels We Have Heard On High* Ensemble

Tithes and Offering: Prayer

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

(Option: Place you index card with a private prayer for Pastor)

(Option: write on index card a word or two what giving to God means to you place index cards in plate)

Offertory Music:

Dr. Astrid Chan

Doxology: *(Hymn #606)*

Congregation

*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. Amen.*

Scripture Reading: Lay Leader

Sherri Atleson

Summary: Isaiah 9:2-3,6-7

2 The people who walked in darkness

Have seen a great light;

Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death,

Upon them a light has shined.**3** You have multiplied the nation

And increased its joy;

They rejoice before You

According to the joy of harvest,

As *men* rejoice when they divide the spoil.

6 For unto us a Child is born,

Unto us a Son is given;

And the government will be upon His shoulder.

And His name will be called

**Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

7 Of the increase of *His* government and peace

There will be no end,

Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom,

To order it and establish it with judgment and justice

From that time forward, even forever.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be To God.**

Message: *Wonderful Counselor*

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

Words of Institution:

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

(Ushers will bring elements to your seats, please hold them and we will partake together. Everyone is welcome to participate in the Lords Supper.)

Servers: *Janet San Nicholas, Dougald McIntyre, Tom & Marilyn Hillard.*

Set up, Clean Up: *Janie Saxton, Jan Martin, Sheila Martin*

Communion Music: *Let Us Break Bread Together (Hymn #525)*

Ensemble

Sending Hymn: *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates (Hymn 92)*

Terry Saxton

Benediction:

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

Song: *Let There Be Peace On Earth*

Congregation

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me

Let there be peace on earth

The peace that was meant to be

With God as our father

Christians all are we

Let us walk with each other

In perfect harmony

Let peace begin with me

Let this be the moment now

With every step I take

Let this be my solemn vow

To take each moment

And live each moment

In peace eternally

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- * **Today, Sunday December 3rd, Following Service join for fellowship at Lins Grand Buffet,** *located at 1068 E. Tucson Marketplace Blvd (off of Park Place).* Please let Bill Boals know if you will be attended.

- * **Memorial Service for Gary Rife, Wednesday, December 6th, 2:00pm.** Please plan on attending to celebrate the life of Gary as his Church family.

- * **December Saturday 9th, Craft Fair 10:00am-1:00pm** The Holy Way will host a Craft and Gift Fair for the Community. Members of the Holy Way are offered a 6 foot table w/ 2 chairs for free to sell their handmade crafts and gifts (new items only; not used as this is not a rummage sale) for the holidays. Non-Members can purchase tables for \$15. To reserve a table please contact Stephen Levine at 818-426-6266 or email stephenlevine63@gmail.com.

- * **December 16th, 6:00pm, Christmas Event Wine Tasting at Pastor Tina & Stephens Home.** Potluck please bring an Hors-d-oeuvres to share. Please RSVP to Stephen Levine at 818-426-6266 or email stephenlevine63@gmail.com.

- * **Sunday December 24th, No morning Service. Instead we will be holding a 5:00pm candle light service.** Please invite friends and family for our Christmas Eve Holy Way Service.

EVERY WEEK!

- * Monday: **The Handcraft Group meets at 10:00 am** in the Conference Room. All handcrafts (knitting, coloring, etc) welcome! Come make something with your hands and enjoy great fellowship time together.

- * Tuesday: Stay Connected During the Week! **“Sermon Debrief Bible Study”**. 10:00am, in the Conference Room.