

CASTILE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

4 Washington Street

Castile, NY 14427

**Second Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 5, 2021**

10:00 AM

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Prelude
Ringing of Tower Bell – 10:00 AM
Welcome

🕎 **Praise Music No. 114 "Emmanuel" (sing twice)** Please stand
Announcements

**Lighting the Advent Candle of Peace
Cliff Scott & Paul Scott**

Congregational Response:
Light two candles; see them glow. Brightly, so that all may know.
How two candles show the way. Making our darkness bright as day.

Call to Worship:
Pastor: Listen! Listen for a messenger from God.
The way is being prepared for Christ's coming.
People: We are here to listen for a word from God.
We have gathered to prepare for Christ's advent.
Pastor: Come, with your joys and sorrows, laughter and tears.
There is a place for you in the company of seekers.

People: We thank God for our acceptance in the church.
We rejoice to offer the love of Christ to others.
Pastor: We are partners in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
Claim anew today this opportunity and responsibility.

People: We are glad God is doing great things among us.
We want to rejoin ourselves to God's work in the world.

🕎 **Opening Hymn No. 123 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" vs. 1, 2 & 4**

🕎 **Prayer of Invocation:**
How good it is to gather where garments of affliction and sorrow are removed. Here, we are wrapped in the beauty of God's glory and welcomed to life at its fullest. Surely you restore us to our best,

mighty God, and equip us for a productive living. Make a difference within and among us today so we can work for a better tomorrow. Amen.

🕎 **Gloria Patri**

Old Testament Reading: Malachi 3:1-4
Children's Message: "The Year of the Perfect Christmas Tree" – Part 2
Tyler & Cooper King
Dismissal to Sunday School

Choral Music: "Creators of the Stars of Night" - Newberry
Gospel Reading: Luke 3:1-6

Message: "Making Crooked Roads Straight" – Tammy Lathan
You Tube: "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" by Meredith Andrews

Pastor: Wide awake and watchful, we prepare the way.
People: In this Advent season, for that glorious day.
Pastor: When you claim all people, for Your very own.
People: When the Christ is honored, and Your will is known.

Sharing Joys and Concerns
Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer

Hymn No. 140 "A Communion Hymn for Christmas" vs. 1 & 4

Holy Communion
The Lord's Prayer (sins)

🕎 **Closing Praise Hymn No. 209 "His Name is Wonderful"**

Benediction
Postlude

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If you are a guest here today, we welcome you and invite you to visit us again whenever possible. Please introduce yourself to our Temporary Pastor, Tammy Lathan, before you leave today.