# December 10, 2023 Second Sunday in Advent North Warren Presbyterian Church Reverend Burfoot S. Ward, III, Pastor Cathy Peterson, Pianist

"We trust God's Spirit to work in us, through our words and deeds, wherever we are."

#### **Prelude**

#### **Register Attendance**

Please sign the friendship register located in the pew rack, your name only if you attend regularly, completely if you are new or visiting.

#### Announcements

**Call to Worship** "Isaiah 40:1-5" page 1119 (Read by lay leader)

#### **Lighting Advent Candle of PEACE**

Mary Ann Erdmann

\***Hymn** "Of the Father's Love Begotten" No. 240

\*Invocation

\*Offering Response "Doxology" p.815

\*Offering Prayer

Children's Message Rev. Ward

Scripture Lesson Mark 1:1-8 p. 1551

**Sermon** *"The Righteousness of God"* Rev. Ward

**Joys and Concerns** 

\***Hymn** "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" No. 277

\*Benediction

### **Postlude**

\*Those Who Are Able, Please Stand We welcome all who have come to worship with us. We pray that this service will be a blessing to you.



Lay Leader today is Anne Ward.

Ushers/Greeters for today are Bill Ransom and Amy Ransom.

Video/Sound Booth operator is Teresa Blumquist.

Nursery worker is Chris McClellan.

**The Advent Decorations** are given through your donations to the Flower Committee to the Glory of God.

**Offering plates** are located at the entrances to the sanctuary. Please place your tithes and offerings in the plates on your way in or out of the service. You can give electronically by downloading the app, going to our website, or snapping the QR code on the front cover and clicking on the "Donate Now" button on the first page. Our new invitation code is **TB43VX**. THANK-YOU!

The Fall Annual Congregational Meeting will be held today, Sunday, December 10 immediately following the Worship Service to receive the 2024 Church Budget, vote on the 2024 Pastoral Terms of Call, elect members to the: Day Care, Community House, Memorial, Audit, and P.F.I.E. Committees, along with any other business as is appropriate according to the Book of Order.

## **Looking Ahead**

Monday, December 11 - 6:00 pm C.E. meeting in pastor's office 6:30 pm Qadosh Bell Practice in bell room

Thursday, December 14 - 11:30 am Ladies Prayer Luncheon at the Warren County Career Center. All women welcome to attend. Reservations required.

Sunday, December 17 - 9:30 am Sunday School for all ages
11:00 am Worship - Sunday School Christmas
Program, "Good News Flash!" The children's
choir will sing, there will be a re-enactment of
the first Christmas along with the singing of
your favorite carols. Refreshments will follow
downstairs in Fellowship Hall.

Monday, December 18 - 10:00 am Women's Bible Study in the series "Holy Habits," will meet in Fellowship Hall, #1 - "Making Peace in a World of Conflict." Plan now to attend.

- 6:30 pm Qadosh Bell Practice in bell room

**New Women's Bible Study**, "Holy Habits" with Derwin Gray, will starts December 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall. God calls us to be set apart and be holy; but, what does that mean? This four-part series, calls us to a new way of living, one formed by rhythms of holiness. Plan now to attend!

**Community Christmas Party**, "Candy Cane Christmas" Saturday, December 23 from 10 am-noon. Children will have a great time celebrating how candy canes help us remember the first Christmas and how "Knowing Jesus is Sweet!" Invite a friend!

# Sermon Outline for December 10, 2023 Rev. Ward TITLE: "The Righteousness of God" I. Introduction: Story – "Christmas Stamps" Rev. Ward TEXT: Mark 1:1-8

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II. Today I want us to focus on one of God's most overlooked

- V . God sent us the \_\_\_\_\_ possible that we might be conformed into the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's \_\_\_\_\_ .

"The Church with a Welcome for All!"

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