

\* **HYMN OF COMMITMENT** *Prepare the Way, O Zion* (see screen)

\* **BENEDICTION**

\* **POSTLUDE** *Fantasia in G Major* J.S. Bach

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## Worship Celebration

November 29, 2015 – 9:30 a.m.



Our Mission:  
*Alive with the Spirit,  
we bring God's love into action  
by igniting faith, transforming lives,  
and creating community.*



*God's Love in Action™*

## MEDITATION

*Want to keep Christ in Christmas? Feed the hungry, clothe the naked, forgive the guilty, welcome the unwanted, care for the ill, love your enemies, and do unto others as you would have done unto you. ~ Steve Maraboli*

**PRELUDE** *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme* —J.S. Bach  
(*Sleepers, Wake! A Voice is Calling*)  
Dr. Ashley Snavley, organ

## CHORAL INTROIT

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP and LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Rev. Dr. David Summers

Leader: Hear the invitation of old,  
speaking now to our Advent hopes and anticipation.  
Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for God.

**People: They who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.**

Leader: We light this candle, inviting Christ, the hope of the ages,  
to come to us.

**All: Light of our world, make us wise to wait for you,  
to watch for you, to hope in the promise of your kingdom  
of love and justice arriving in our world.** (*based on E. Lee Philips*)

\* **HYMN OF PRAISE** *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* Hymnal No. 213

\* **OPENING PRAYER** (in unison) Rev. Eve Williams

**Come, Lord Jesus.**

**Prepare our hearts and faith to receive your presence this season.**

**Calm the anxieties within us.**

**Release us from bondage to the troubles that unsettle us.**

**Prepare us now to receive your living Word with joy and anticipation.**

**We worship and wait in hope. Amen.**

*When you see an \* in the order of worship, please stand as you are able.  
Large-print bulletins, Bibles and hymnals, as well as assistive listening devices  
and wheelchairs, are available from the ushers.*

## \* MOMENTS OF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

\* **HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* vs. 1 & 4  
No. 694

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Shari Paris

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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Isabella Rae Florez, daughter of Joseph & Nancy Florez  
Ava Rose Langenhuizen, daughter of Jared & Sarah Langenhuizen  
Brooks Charles Langenhuizen, son of Jared & Sarah Langenhuizen  
Kendall Kate Langenhuizen, daughter of Jared & Sarah Langenhuizen

Response: No. 191, v. 1 *Jesus Loves You*

(*Please fill out and pass the fellowship pad*)

## ANTHEM

*My Soul Cries Out* arr. Hayes  
Chancel Choir; Jean Arkwright, flute; Mickey Price, percussion

## ANNOUNCEMENTS OF MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

### VALLEY WESLEY CAMPUS MINISTRY MOMENT

Rev. Jeri Wilkerson

## SHARING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

*Prepare the Royal Highway* arr. Ron Mallory  
*Bells of Paradise*

\* **DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 95

### \* OFFERTORY PRAYER

\* **HYMN OF PREPARATION**

*People, Look East* No. 202

## SCRIPTURE

Luke 21:25-36 (pg. 85, N.T., Pew Bible)

Reader: God's Word for God's people.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

Rev. Dr. David Summers

*Waiting*

Part 1: *Waiting for the End*