

# Green Lake Church

## The Advent of Essential Love

Kevin McGill

20 December 2025

### PRELUDE

*Saviour of the Nations Come* - BWV 659

Valerie Shields, organ  
J. S. Bach

### WELCOME and CHURCH LIFE

Marleen Land

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*A Processional for Advent*

Green Lake Choir  
Rachel Aarons

### INVOCATION

Marleen Land

### HYMN OF PRAISE

*There's a Song in the Air*

**Hymnal No. 120**  
CHRISTMAS SONG

### ADVENT READING

Jeff Ehlers

### ADVENT MUSIC

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

Mary Walters, cello  
VENI EMMANUEL

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

McGill Family

### OFFERING

Offering this week

Kevin McGill  
Local Church Budget

### OFFERTORY

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Mary Walters, cello  
Arr. Evelyn R. Larter

### CALL TO THE CHILDREN'S STORY

*Come Ye Lofty, Come Ye Lowly* from *Christmas Day* Gustav Holst

### CHILDREN'S STORY

Katie-Lynn Thiesen

### CALL TO PRAYER

All: Refrain from *O Come, O come, Emmanuel*

**Hymnal No. 115**  
VENI EMMANUEL

### MORNING PRAYER

Danelle McGill

### PRAYER RESPONSE

*Of the Father's Love Begotten*  
v.1 – Soloists, v.2 – All

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 6:5 (NLT)

Shawna Feiling

### ANTHEM

*It Came Upon a Midnight Clear*

Green Lake Choir and Lee Devens, guitar  
Henry Lebendinsky

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

Matthew 22:37-39 (NLT)

Shawna Feiling

**SERMON**

*The Advent of Essential Love*

Kevin McGill

✿ **HYMN OF CONSECRATION**

*Go Tell It on the Mountain*

**Hymnal No. 121**

African American Spiritual

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Susan O'Brien, soloist, Mary Walters, cello

*Advent Benediction*

Setting by Valerie Shields

*Please join in the refrain*

✿ **BENEDICTION**

Kevin McGill

**ANTHEM**

*A Christmas Blessing*

Music: Philip W. J. Stoppford,

Words: Church of Ireland Common Book of Prayer

**POSTLUDE**

*What Child Is This*

Mary Walters, cello

Arr. Evelyn R. Larter



**Sermon Synopsis** ... The fourth candle is lit! The whole duty of humankind boils down to one essential principle: Love. Jesus said it, Paul confirmed it: Love is the fulfillment of the law because it actively seeks the good and does no wrong to the neighbor. How will you embody this active, principled love this week?



Deacons: Alwin Vyhmeister, Kurt Mehrer

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**Sunset**

Friday, December 19, 4:22 p.m.

Saturday, December 20, 4:22 p.m.