

Sunday, November 27, 2022

## Invocation

Hallelujah! We will give thanks to the Lord with our whole hearts, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation. adapted from Psalm 111:1

Let us know that you, whose Name is YAHWEH, you alone are the Most High over all the earth.

adapted from Psalm 83:18

Help us Lord to wait in patience and praise you more and more.

adapted from Psalm 71:14

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Congregational Singing: *God So Loved  
All Who Are Thirsty*

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## Advent Reading and Prayer

Advent is a word that means “to come”. It is a time when we get ready, preparing ourselves for the coming of Jesus Christ. Jesus came when he was born on Christmas Day. What we are doing right now around our Advent wreath is a way of preparing for Christmas. This is the first Sunday of Advent.

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Congregational Singing: *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*

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## Offering and Prayer of Petition

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Congregational Singing: *Here Again*

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## Homily – “A mountain of hope.”

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the LORD’s house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.” For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

Isaiah 2:1–5 NRSV

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## Poem – “Christmas in Context”

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Congregational Singing: *King of Kings*

*Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me*

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## Benediction

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favour; and in all we do direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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