

November 28th, 2021
1st Sunday of Advent
GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE: Gather Us In

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUIET HYMN: Emmanuel, Emmanuel #204

SILENT PRAYER

***HYMN: O Come, O Come Emmanuel** #211

CENTERING FOR WORSHIP

***LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE** #2090 (vs 1)

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Have you seen itthe Spark of Hope that God is placing among us.

P: All we can see is hectic lives, crowded stores, darkness and fear.

L: Look again.....the spirit of God is moving, bringing hope.

P: We need to place our hope in God, but we are afraid.

L: A long time ago, people were afraid and God brought to them Light.

P: May God bring that light to us today! AMEN.

*** PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

We can hardly believe it, O God. The Advent season is upon us. We usually translate that into the buying season in preparation for THE BIG DAY. But when we place our hope in the tinsel, wrappings, tape, and boxes, we forget the most glorious gift of all, the gift of God's absolute love. Open our eyes, our hearts, our spirits today to behold God's gracious love for us in the fulfillment of all God's promises. For we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. AMEN.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Luke 21:25-36

***HYMN: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus** #196

THE WORD OF GOD EXPLORED

Pastor Joel Holcomb

GRATEFUL RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

***DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTOR

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE

***HYMN: I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light** #206

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love

**Indicates standing if that is comfortable for you.*
