

First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2016

8:30 am

Contemporary Service of Worship

(During our time of worship, you are free to stand in Jesus' presence or to sit at his feet, as you feel moved by the Holy Spirit of God.)

Welcoming & Announcements

Lighting the Advent Wreath

Karyn, Katrina and Aaron Millham

Praise and Worship

O Come, O Come Emmanuel
He Has Come for US
Here I Am To Worship

Opening Prayer:

L. Eternal God, in your providence you made all ages a preparation for the kingdom of your Son, sending your prophets to prepare us for our salvation. Make ready our hearts for the brightness of your glory and the fullness of your blessing in Jesus Christ, our Lord, that we may greet his coming with joy. Amen.

God's Word

Hebrew Bible Lesson: Isaiah 2:1-5 Pew Bible 676
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 24:36-44 Pew Bible 982
Sermon
Silent Meditation

Our Response

Prayers *(Please use prayer cards to indicate thanksgivings and concerns)*

The Lord's Prayer

Offering

How Great is Our God

Dismissal with Blessing

Last chorus of How Great is Our God

Sermon Notes / Prayer Requests

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

10:45 AM

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Preparation

WELCOMING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE O Thou of God the Father J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP:

L. You know what time it is,
P. **how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep.**
L. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers;
P. **the night is far gone, the day is near.**
L. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness
P. **and put on the armor of light**
A. **AS WE AWAIT THE COMING OF OUR LORD AND KING!**

OPENING HYMN: "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" No. 196

OPENING PRAYER:

P. Eternal God, in your providence you made all ages a preparation for the kingdom of your Son. Make ready our hearts for the brightness of your glory and the fullness of your blessing in Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Proclamation

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH Mark, Debbie, and Matthew Bois

SUNG RESPONSE: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" No. 211
(Verse 1)

HEBREW BIBLE LESSON: Isaiah 2:1-5 Pew Bible 676

SUNG RESPONSE: "People Look East" No. 202
(Verse #1)

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 24:36-44 Pew Bible 982

PREPARATION HYMN: "O Day of God Draw Nigh" No. 730

SERMON

SILENT MEDITATION

Response

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

ANTHEM Prepare Thyself Zion J. S. Bach
from "The Christmas Oratorio"

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending Forth

CLOSING HYMN: "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" No. 569

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Allegro in C Major J. S. Bach