Order of Worship for The First Sunday of Advent November 27, 2022

OPENING SONG "Cornerstone"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On this Sunday we gather for worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen!

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

And also with you!

KYRIE SONG
"Give Thanks"

Let us pray

Stir up Your power, Lord Jesus, and come. By Your merciful protection awaken us to our sinfulness, and keep us blameless until the coming of Your New Day; for You live and reign with the Father and with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

HYMN
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"
ELW 257, verses 1-4

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

We begin our Advent Season with the lighting of the first candle on the Advent Wreath—the Candle signifying HOPE. We always await, in hope, the coming of Jesus into our lives. Christ is always arriving as He enters our troubled world, and He will arrive again to fulfill all of God's promises. This not an idle hope, but an active HOPE that inspires us, His children, every day.

(Candle of HOPE is lit)

READING

Romans 15:1-13

From Paul's letter to the Romans, chapter fifteen, verses one through thirteen. Paul writes:

We who are strong ought to put up with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves. ² Each of us must please our neighbor for the good purpose of building up the neighbor. ³ For Christ did not please Himself, but, as it is written, "The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me." ⁴ For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵ May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶ so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷ Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸ For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that He might confirm the promises given to the ancestors ⁹ and that the gentiles might glorify God for His mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will confess You among the gentiles and sing praises to Your name";

10 and again he says, "Rejoice, O gentiles, with His people"; 11 and again,

"Praise the Lord, all you gentiles, and let all the peoples praise Him"; 12 and again

Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the One who rises to rule the gentiles; in

Him the gentiles shall hope."

¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

GOSPEL

Matthew 3:1-3

From the Gospel of Matthew, chapter three, verses one through three. Matthew writes:

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ² "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." ³ This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make His paths straight.'"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
"Preparing for Jesus"
Rev. David Hewitt

MESSAGE
"Alive to the God of Hope"
Rev. David Hewitt

SONG
"You Have Been Good"

OFFERING

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AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.

On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

At this time, we pray for all those who need God's blessings, and praise Him for the blessings He has bestowed upon us.

During the prayers, there will be a time of silence, when we offer our personal prayers to God.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

We prepare to receive the sacraments of Holy Communion, by remembering the words and actions of Jesus during the Last Supper.

THE LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father in heaven
hallowed be Your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours now and forever.

Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

For those worshipping in-house,

we invite you to come forward if you wish.

If you prefer to take communion at your seat,
you may so.

For those joining us online,

If you are able,
we invite you to take communion where you are,
using whatever form of bread or drink is available to you, to symbolize the body
and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Now, may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, keep you in His grace and peace, now and forever. Amen!

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" ELW 597

BENEDICTION

May the Lord bless you and keep you; May the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you God's peace; in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

SENDING SONG "King Of Kings"

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