

November 29, 2020 – First Sunday of Advent

Prelude

Greeting

Opening Song (Instrumental)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Liturgist #1: Come, believers and scoffers, faithful and faithless; God welcomes us all to this time apart.

Liturgist #2: We sense God's call, even when we do not reply; God hears us, even when we do not speak.

Liturgist #1: Amid prosperity and calamity, God is present, whether or not we respond.

Liturgist #2: How shall we know God's salvation if we reject it, or be healed if we turn away?

Liturgist #1: Now is the time to await Christ's appearing and to seek the Spirit's gifts.

Liturgist #2: We come expectantly, yet fearfully, knowing that worship may change us.

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Song (Instrumental)

Confession of Sin

Awesome and Powerful God, we have wandered far from you. You have trusted us, but we have mistrusted you. We have acted as if you never called our names or blessed us. No wonder we feel alone before a host of enemies! Are you angry with us, God? Is there a place for us in your plans, in spite of our iniquities? We want to take hold of your goodness and find a new direction for our lives. Save us from ourselves, O God! Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Gloria Patri

Old Testament Lesson – Isaiah 64:1-9

Children's Sermon

Song (Recorded) "Amazing Grace" by Sheri Roberts

Epistle Lesson – 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Lord's Prayer

Offering

Gospel Lesson – Mark 13:32-37

Sermon

Song (Instrumental)

Benediction

Postlude