

# Welcome to Worship!

December 04, 2022

Advent 2A

## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING Candle of Hope

Lighting by Bonnie Gardner and Barbara Stone

PRELUDE "Wake, Awake, Night is Flying" Gerig

## RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP BASED ON PSALM 72: 1-7 & 18-19

Leader: Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to a king's son.

**People: May he judge your people with righteousness and your poor with justice.**

Leader: May the mountains yield prosperity for the people, and the hills, in righteousness.

**People: May he defend the cause of the poor of the people, give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor.**

Leader: May he live while the sun endures and as long as the moon, throughout all generations.

**People: May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass, like showers that water the earth.**

Leader: In his days may righteousness flourish and peace abound, until the moon is no more.

**People: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.**

Leader: Blessed be his glorious name forever; may his glory fill the whole earth. Amen and Amen.

OPENING HYMN: "Lift Up Your Heads, O Mighty Gates" No. 176

## UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER (DEBTS)

Lord, we are uncertain of many things. But yet, the more we don't know about anything, the more we seek to control everything.

Temper our fear, that we may live into the hope your Son promised us when he taught us to pray saying...*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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen*

GLORIA PATRI No. 734

Glory be to the Creator, and to the Christ: And to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

READING OF THE WORD Isaiah 11:1-10 and Matthew 3: 1-12

SERMON Expect the Unexpected

MEDITATION HYMN: "Hope of the World" No. 404

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY "What Child is This" Sanborn

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DOXOLOGY No. 34

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow:  
Praise God, all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CLOSING HYMN: "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry" No. 156

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Go, Tell it on the Mountain" Thygerson

\*Please stand if you are able.

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The liturgist is Martha Bates.  
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*GOD CALLS US TOGETHER TO WELCOME ALL  
AND TO SERVE GOD, EACH OTHER, THIS COMMUNITY,  
AND THE WORLD  
IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST'S LOVE.*

❖ *ALL ARE WELCOME!* ❖