December 24, 2023

Advent 4B

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** Alexa Connelly

ADVENT CANDLE OF LOVE LIGHTING

By Beverly Perriccio and Katie Wentworth.

## \*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP BASED ON PSALM 89: 1-4, 24-26

Leader: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with

my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all

generations.

People: I declare that your steadfast love is established

forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

Leader: You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one;

I have sworn to my servant David:

People: 'I will establish your descendants forever and build

your throne for all generations.' "Selah

Leader: My faithfulness and steadfast love shall be with him,

and in my name his horn shall be exalted.

People: I will set his hand on the sea and his right hand on the

rivers.

Leader: He shall cry to me, 'You are my Father, my God, and the

Rock of my salvation!'

**OPENING HYMN:** "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

No. 182

## \*Unison Prayer of Invocation and Lord's Prayer (debts)

Lord, we anticipate your arrival with the joy of the ancient promise, the peace of the kingdom to come, and the hope of the world. Embrace us in love this last Sunday of Advent as we move to give ourselves to you this day, just as you gave yourself to us when you 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 No. 190

**READING OF THE WORD** Luke 1:26-38

**SERMON** It's Impossible

MEDITATION HYMN: "What Child is This" No. 184

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** Alexa Connelly

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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: "Angels We Have Heard on High" No. 188

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

\*Please stand if you are able.



Thank you to our guest singer Alexa Connelly.

The liturgist is Kate White.
Our greeters/ushers are Cynthia Smith and Kate White.

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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! \*