



Advent Sunday 29th November 2020

WELCOME

OPENING SENTENCES

We make the sign of the cross
**In my head,
 in my heart,
 and all around me,
 Jesus is here**

WELCOME – WAITING – WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR?

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

We wait for the coming of Christ,
 the light of the world
Come Lord Jesus

We sing

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
 Longing for truth, we turn to you.
 Make us your own, your holy people,
 light for the world to see.

Christ, be our light!
 Shine in our hearts.
 Shine through the darkness.
 Christ, be our light!
 Shine in your church gathered today.

The first candle is lit and this response is used

The true light, which enlightens everyone is coming into the world.
Come Lord Jesus

The light shines in the darkness and the darkness will not overcome it.
Christ, shine in your church today

COLLECT

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen**

BIBLE READING: Mark 13:24-37

'But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.'

TALK: (Film) The Advent Wreath

SONG: This Little Light of Mine

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.
We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

PRAYERS

THE PEACE

God will speak peace to his people,
to those who turn to him in their hearts.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you

OFFERTORY HYMN

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7xtpJ4Q_Q-4

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel
shall come to you, O Israel.*

O come, O Wisdom from on high,
who ordered all things mightily;
to us the path of knowledge show
and teach us in her ways to go. *Refrain*

O come, O Branch of Jesse's tree,
free them from Satan's tyranny!
that trust your mighty pow'r to save
and give them victory o'er the grave. *Refrain*

O come, O Key of David, come
and open wide our heavenly home.
Make safe the way that leads on high
and close the path to misery. *Refrain*

O come, desire of nations, bind
in one the hearts of all mankind.
O bid all our sad divisions cease
and be yourself our King of Peace. *Refrain*

COMMUNION - THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Be with us Lord Jesus in the breaking of this bread and the pouring of the wine.

The Lord is here
His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

The prayer continues ...

Through him you wipe away our tears, and fill us with your peace.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The prayer continues ...

in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our saviour Jesus Christ has taught us, so we pray.

**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.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ
**Though we are many, we are one body
because we all share in one bread.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace**

THE GIVING OF COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Generous God, you have fed us at your heavenly table. Set us on fire with your Spirit that
when Christ comes again we may shine like lights before his face, who with you and the
Spirit lives for ever. Amen**

NOTICES

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL