



The First Sunday of Advent

Welcome to Worship

December 3, 2023

We Celebrate Our Presence Together: Gathering

ORGAN PRELUDE: Prepare the Royal Highway - arr. John Behnke

GREETING

BECOMING PRESENT: ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Candle Lighting Litany

Prayer of Presence

OPENING HYMN #385: *What Gift Can We Bring*

The Word Present Among Us: Proclaiming

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 80:1-2 (NRSVUE)

WITNESS TO THE WORD

Canticle Bells: *Rondo Jubilee* – by Brenda E. Austin

SCRIPTURE: Mark 13:37 NRSVUE); Galatians 4:4-7 (ICB)

MESSAGE: "Being Present with Hope"

Fully Present in the Moment: Praying

SHARING & PRAYER

OFFERING

Present to the World: Sending

BLESSING

*CLOSING CAROL #195: *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*

SENDING

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Please sign the blue attendance pads located on the center aisle hymnal rack.



We are seekers:

learning to trust in God's love,
desiring to live and serve in the way of Jesus,
celebrating diversity while pursuing unity,
nurturing gratitude and generosity,
welcoming all!

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