

## We Go Forth to Serve

\* Hymn

"People, Look East"

The Hymnal #202  
red hardcover book

\* Community Blessing

\* Postlude

*Thank you for worshiping with us today!*



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**Welcome!**



The season of Advent invites us to wait impatiently for the consummation of hope, longing to know God as fully as we have been known; to see no longer through a dark pane, but face to face; to love as we have been loved...

Mark Allan Powell

## We Gather to Worship

\* indicates where you are invited to rise in body or in spirit.



Gathering Music

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Lighting the Advent Candle

One: We light this candle as a sign of our waiting.

**All: We are waiting for God to come among us.**

One: We are waiting to sense God's presence.

**All: We are waiting to be renewed by God's grace.**

One: We are waiting to be transformed by love.

**All: With hopeful and expectant hearts, we wait.**

\* Hymn

"God Almighty, We Are Waiting"

Worship & Song #3047  
small green songbook

Children's Message

Choir Anthem

"Waiting"

Pepper Choplin

## We Open to the Word

Scripture Reading

Mark 13:24-37

Message

"Waiting for a Sign"

Rev. Jeremy Hajdu-Paulen

Music for Reflection

## We Respond to the Word

We Come to God in Prayer

Sung Response

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

The Hymnal #211  
verse 1  
red hardcover book

**O come, O come Emmanuel  
and ransom captive Israel,  
that mourns in lonely exile here  
until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
shall come to thee, O Israel.**

Giving Our Gifts to God

## We Come to the Table of Grace

\* Passing the Peace of Christ

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you!**

\* Sung Response

"Until Jesus Comes"

Worship & Song #3050  
small green songbook

**Until Jesus comes,  
until Jesus comes,  
I'll be watching and waiting  
until Jesus comes.**

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Sung responses on screen and  
in The Faith We Sing #2257 a, b, c, d  
small black songbook

The Lord's Prayer

\* Sharing in Holy Communion

**ALL are invited to receive communion.** We practice an **open table** which means that **everyone** is invited to receive the bread and cup. May receiving communion nourish you with God's grace and grant you the assurance of God's love.

**When you come forward,** you will receive a small piece of bread to eat and a small cup of grape juice to drink. These are the "bread of heaven" and "cup of blessing" that Jesus shares with us revealing God's love. If you are unable to come forward, we will bring the bread and cup to where you are sitting.

Prayer after Communion