

1st Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2016 · 8:30 a.m. Worship

Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Songs and Prayer

Advent Reading

Leader: Keep awake! Be watchful! The Son of Man is coming with great power and glory. He shall judge the nations; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. We light the first Advent candle reminding us that God's promised Messiah will break into our time and space to teach us his ways that we may walk in his paths of righteousness and peace. May we stay alert for his coming.

Light the candle

Come, Lord Jesus.

All: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Ever present God, you taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand. Grant that we may ever be found watching for the coming of your Son. Save us from undue love of the world, give us eyes to look and wait with patient hope for the day of the Lord, that when he shall appear, we may not be ashamed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings and Message

Old Testament Lesson – Isaiah 2:1-5

*Gospel Lesson – Matthew 24:36-44

Children's Message

Sermon – “Prepare the Way of Peace”

Pastor Alan

Response

Pastoral Prayer

Communion

Invitation to Holy Communion

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Offering

*The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Supper

Closing Songs and Prayer

*For those who are able, please stand