

November 27, 2022 The First Sunday of Advent

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ANNOUNCEMENTS
PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH (see insert)

*HYMN PH #103 ***“Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”***

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Mary Scifres)

Even when we're tired, Lord, we long to wake to your presence. Even when we're distracted, we yearn to be spellbound by your power. Even when we're lost and wander away from you, we hope to rest safely in the arms of your grace. Wake us from our sleep, O God; reveal your love and mercy, and grant us the peace of your redemption. In humble gratitude we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

A READING FROM HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 2:1-5

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL

Matthew 24:36*44

A SERMON “The World Needs More Lerts”

HYMN PH #108 ***“Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying”***

PRAYERS FOR THE DAY

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of Intercession

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Response

THE OFFERING

Invitation to Giving

Offertory

Doxology#514

Prayer of Thanksgiving (Mary Scifres)

Gracious God, as we bring our gifts to you, we bring much more than earthly treasure; we bring our very lives. Transform us through our giving, that we may grow even closer to you. Help us share your peace and love with others as joyfully and generously as you have shared your gifts with us. Amen,

HYMN PH#109 ***“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”***

BENEDICTION