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The Second Sunday of Advent

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT OF SILENCE

LIGHTING OF THE PEACE AND ADVENT CANDLES

**All: *And we're walking, walking,
Walking to Bethlehem.***

LEADER: The dawn is breaking on those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

People: *It beckons us to stand on walk towards our hope.*

LEADER: I light the first and the second candle of Advent as it guides our feet in the ways of peace.

PEOPLE: *Break us open. Shine your light. Guide our way.*

LEADER: I light the peace candle to remind us to be a beacon of hope to the tired, the poor, the huddled masses yearning to be free..

**All: *And we're walking, walking,
Walking to Bethlehem.***

***HYMN 9

“O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The signs are all around us, Good and Upright God, of how we can live as your people. There are chances to be more compassionate; moments to offer hope to a lonely friend; the good fortune we could give to those who have so little. Do not meditate on our bungling ways, God of steadfast love, but remember the mercy of Your heart. That mercy which forgives us; that mercy which makes us whole; and especially, that living mercy who came down one night so long ago, Jesus the Advent of our redemption. Amen.

PROMISE OF GOD

LEADER: Raise your heads, children of God! In the bleak mid-winter of our lives, our redemption draws near. In the springtime of our doubts, the kingdom of God approaches.

PEOPLE: *Even when we feel most alone, the One who comes to us is the salvation promised so long ago. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven!*

*RESPONSE

“GLORIA, GLORIA”

***Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo.
Gloria, Gloria, Hallelujah, hallelujah.***

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION

LESSON

MALACHI 3:1-4

ANTHEM

“COME, MESSIAH COME”

WORD TO THE CHILDREN

SECOND LESSON

LUKE 3:1-18

SERMON

“WALKING INTO THE FIRE”

*HYMN 13

“PREPARE THE WAY”

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND PETITION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (DEBTS/DEBTORS)

*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

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil

For thine is the kingdom and the power

And the glory forever. Amen.

THE GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE (TMB) “WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE OF YOU?”

**What does the Lord require of you?
What does the Lord require of you?**

Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.

*To seek justice, and love kindness,
and walk humbly with your God.*

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Because of You, Abundant God, we have blessings to offer to others. May You use our gifts to restore hope to the despairing, to feed the hungry, and to fill the empty hearts of the lonely. Receive these gifts and the offering of our praise as our thanksgiving as we step one week closer to the celebration of your ultimate gift to us . Amen.

WE DISPERSE IN GOD’S NAME

*HYMN 5

“LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE”

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

***Those Who Are Able Are Invited To Stand**

*****Latecomers May Be Seated**



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