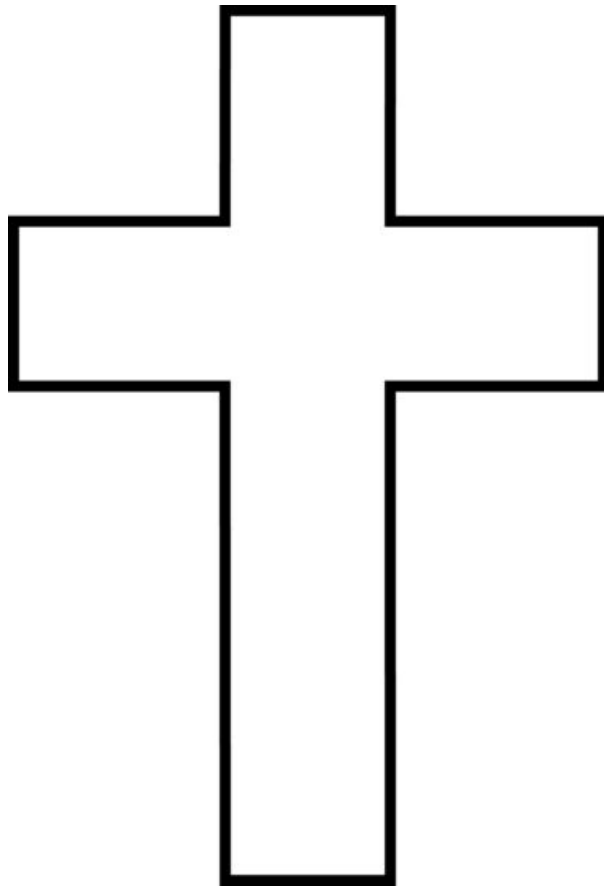


St. David's Presbyterian Church
98 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1R8

Order of Service for
First Sunday of Advent
December 3rd, 2023



Elder on Duty: Lillian Crawford

Manager on Duty: Ken Templeton

Instrumental Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

Entry of the Bible

Call to Worship:

The nights are long and the days are short,

We wait to see Jesus, the Light of the World.

The heavens are trembling with anticipation,

We wait to hear Jesus, the song of our hearts.

Our redemption is drawing near,

We wait to join with Jesus and transform the world

Let us put our hope in God as we prepare to welcome the birth of new
life on

Hymn: # 626 – Lord of all power

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession:

Redeeming God,

We confess that waiting is difficult

when the world around us is on edge.

We are impatient with each other,

waiting for someone else to make a difference.

We are impatient with you, O God,

waiting for a sign that things will improve.

Forgive us, O God.

Turn our hearts to you again and again,

and show us how to act in hope for Jesus' sake. Amen.

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, the power

and the glory, forever, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Hymn: # 773 – Jesus bids us shine

Children's Time and Prayer

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings:

1 Corinthians 1:3-9 (p. 1696)

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 (**responsive**) (p. 879)

Isaiah 64:1-9 (p.1119)

Mark 13:24-37 (p.1513)

Hymn: # 717 – We cannot own the sunlit sky

Sermon: "Hope"

Collection of Offering

Doxology Hymn # 79

Offering Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn: # 477 – Your hand, O God, has guided

Benediction

Postlude

We **WELCOME** everyone to our worship today and pray that this hour might be one of refreshment and spiritual joy.

An unstaffed **Nursery** for infants and toddlers is available through the door at the front right hand side of the Sanctuary.

A **Fellowship Time** is held downstairs after worship. Please come and join us!

There is additional **parking** available for Sunday Mornings next door at Elizabeth Tower's parking lot and across the street at the English School District parking lot.