

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Entry of the Bible (*please stand if you are able*)

Call to Worship:

Advent is a time for waiting.

**We wait for God, who appears like a tender branch
growing from a stump.**

Advent is a time for hoping.

We wait for God, who comes with justice to do right by all.

Advent is a time to worship.

**We wait for God, praising the One who comes to fulfil
promises.**

Hymn # 120 - Lo! Christ comes with the clouds

Prayer of Approach

Unison Prayer of Confession:

Surprising God,

**forgive our sleepiness in the presence of your splendour
and for when we abandon hope for despair.**

**We look for the same old things and make the same old
mistakes, and blame others for the state of our own hearts.**

**Forgive us our silence when we ought to have spoken up
and our carelessness with your world and your family.**

**Awaken us to your holy, hopeful presence
so we may watch and wait for you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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

“Passing of the Peace” ~ a time for us to welcome each other

Children’s Hymn # 124 – People in darkness

Children’s Time and Prayer

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Jeremiah 7:30-8:3	<i>pp. 1140</i>
Jeremiah 33:10-16	<i>pp. 1186</i>
Psalms 25:1-10	<i>pp. 823</i>
Luke 21:25-36	<i>pp. 1568</i>

Sermon: “The End is Near”

Hymn # 118 – Hark the glad sound

Collection of Offering

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost** (Hymn #79)

Offering Prayer of Dedication

Announcements

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn # 110 – Come, thou long-expected Jesus

Benediction and Postlude