

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

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

Call to Worship:

We are Christmas people. We have heard the good news that a child has been born for us, a Son has been given to us, and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Almighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

We have seen God kindle hope, peace, joy and love in our lives and in our world.

The centre candle in our Advent wreath is the Christ candle. From this light, all good gifts come. We light this candle remembering the One who is the

Light of the world.

(The Christ Candle is lit)

Let us pray:

Holy one, who came to our home,

we welcome you to our family

Your birthday may be busy and loud,

so help us to remember the forgotten ones.

Your birthday may happen in a strange place,

but in You, family is never far away

Welcome, baby Jesus, we sing for you.

Hymn # 149 – Away in a Manger

Prayer

Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7 (p. 1031)

Hymn # 145 - In the Bleak Midwinter v. 1, 2, 4

Reading: Luke 2:4-12 (p. 1525)

Meditation: “Everyday, Ordinary, Human Jesus”

Offering and Distribution of Candles

Lighting of Candles

Prayer

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, the power and the glory, forever, Amen.

See insert for these three hymns:

Hymn # 139 - Hark, the Herald Angels sing v. 1, 3

Hymn # 144 - 'Twas in the moon of wintertime v. 1, 2, 4

Hymn # 154 - Silent night

Benediction

Postlude