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Bulletin

Sunday Worship December 20, 2020 Fourth Sunday of Advent - Love

For Worship today consider gathering: an Advent wreath and candles, a Bible, the worship material with prayers. Thank you for joining in worship!

Welcome and Invocation with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Come to us, abide with us, Emmanuel. God with us, sweet baby, rest in our arms and restore our days. We worship in trust that you are on the way. Amen.

Special Music

"Gesu Bambino"

Music: Pietro A. Yon
Naomi Alter, Harpist

Scripture with the Shaw Family

Luke 1:26-38 (NRSV)

Lighting the Advent Candles - The Shaw Family

Reader 1: O God, we light the fourth candle of Advent.

(With the first three candles burning, a family member lights the fourth candle.)

Reader 2: We hear your angel Gabriel and witness the faith of Mary. Fill us with your grace and light.

Reader 1: Mary was a young, strong, spiritual woman. Even though her life was not easy, she heard God's voice and said, "Yes." Her song was a prayer that would uplift those who were downtrodden. Her lyrics shattered the proud and called the world to change. She would bear within her the promised child, Jesus, the Light of the World. This Advent, we respond to God's beckoning to us as well.

All Family: Revealing God, visit us and fill us with your Spirit. Bring your good news to life within us. Give us courage to carry your light into the injustices and shadows of this world. Amen.



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Song of Welcome

"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

Music: Felix Mendelssohn

Words: Charles Wesley, 1734

Virtual Choir

Community Prayer with Beth B. Hallock

God of manger and star, let us enter your story once again and find ourselves kneeling with the shepherds, singing with the angels and worshipping with the Magi. Touch our hearts with the wonder of birth and the depths of your love. Speak to us in word and song and lift us to the realms of glory. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer with Rev. Frank Hallock

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Song of the Word

"Away in a Manger"

Words: Traditional Carol

Music: James R. Murray, 1887

Praise Band

Scripture with Sandy Riser

Luke 1:46b-55 (NRSV)

Message

The Love of a Mother

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Response to the Word and Call to Witness with Dakota Koenig

Song of Sending

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

(from 07/19)

Words: Phillips Brooks

Music: Lewis H. Redner

Virtual Choir

Sending Light of Christ into the World with
Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw



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