



Second Sunday of Advent

December 6, 2020

Prelude: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Gathering

Lighting the Advent Candles

Reader: On this Second Sunday of Advent, we light the candle of love.

Reader: Our God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Reader: For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.
John 3: 16-17

Reader: We light the candle of hope and this candle of love as a sign of our expectant waiting for the coming of Christ.

All Singing: "Everlasting God"

**The Lord is my light and salvation.
Whom shall I fear? Of whom shall I be afraid?**

**I will wait on you, I will wait on you.
I will trust in you, I will trust in you.**

I will remain confident in this: I will see the goodness of the Lord

God's Greeting
Passing the Peace

Reconciliation

Liturgist: You, Lord, showed favor to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

All: You forgave the iniquity of your people and covered all their sins.

Liturgist: You set aside your wrath and turned away from your anger.

**All: Restore us again, God our Savior, and put away any anger.
Revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you.
Show us your unfailing love, Lord, and grant us your salvation.**

Psalm 85: 1-7 adapted

Silent Confession and Lament

Liturgist: Surely the Lord's salvation is near those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

All: For love and faithfulness will meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other. Faithfulness will spring forth from the earth, and righteousness look down from heaven.

Liturgist: The Lord will indeed give what is good. Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps. *Psalm 85: 9-13 adapted*

All Singing: 58 "Prepare the Way"

**Prepare the way of the Lord. Prepare the way of the Lord,
And all people will see the salvation of our God.**

Liturgist: Do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years is like a day. The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead, he is patient with us, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

All: Therefore, let us live holy and godly lives as we wait eagerly for the day of God to come. *II Peter 3: 8-9, 11-12 adapted*

Proclamation

All Singing: "I Don't Mind Waiting"

**I don't mind waiting. I don't mind waiting.
I don't mind waiting, on You Lord.**

Scripture: Mark 1: 1-8

The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, as it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

"I will send my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way"—
"a voice of one calling in the wilderness,
'Prepare the way for the Lord,
make straight paths for him.'"

And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by

him in the Jordan River. John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. And this was his message: "After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Repentant Waiting

All Singing: 56 "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Dedication

Prayers of the People

All Singing: 482 "Soon and Very Soon"

Benediction

Worship Leaders

Prelude Organist:	Dora Diephouse
Advent Candles:	Mark and Sarah Rinckenberger
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Pianist / Vocalist:	David Walker
Flutist:	Sarah Rinckenberger
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Prayer:	RCM
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