Our Worship of God

November 29, 2020, 10:30 a.m.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HOPE





Kirkwood Baptist Church

211 North Woodlawn Avenue Kirkwood, Missouri 63122 314-965-2349 – www.kirkwoodbaptist.org www.youtube.com/user/KirkwoodBaptist Worshippers, as you prepare to worship with us from your homes, we invite you to do the following if you would like to do so:

- 1. Please get a candle that you have in your home and be ready to light it during the prelude as we light the Christ Candle in the sanctuary.
- 2. We invite you to send your comments as you watch the live feed on KBC's YouTube® channel. You may do so in the public comments on our channel, or you may text one or more of the ministers.
- 3. Finally, we gently encourage you to consider giving your offering through our online giving option at https://www.shelbygiving.com/app/giving/kirk211234

Chiming

Welcome and Life of the Church and Global Missions Offering Moment

Taylor Mason

Preparation for Worship

God of deliverance, you rescued Daniel from the mouths of the lions when he was punished for worshiping you. Liberate all who are endangered for the sake of their faith, and rescue us from anything that separates us from worshiping only you, for the sake of the one who made your name known to all people, across land and seas, Jesus Christ, our redeemer. **Amen.**

Prelude

Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah Wayne L. Wold

Julia Matthews

"Light one candle to watch for Messiah: let the light banish darkness. He shall bring salvation to Israel, God fulfills the promise."

Opening of the Bible

+Call to Worship Pastoral Staff

Lift up your eyes and your hearts. From where does your hope come?

Our hope is in God, who made heaven and earth;

our hope is in Jesus Christ, for whose birth we wait.

We come to worship to renew our hope.

We come seeking a light for our way through the darkness.

Though it be one single flame, it is enough.

We press on through our fears with the Spirit as our guide and source of courage.

Emmanuel, God With Us, visit us with your hope, peace, joy and love. Amen.

Come, thou long - expected Jesus, born to set they people free; from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; dear Desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a king, born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by thine all sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

Lighting of the Advent Candle - Hope

Ray, Amy, Reed and Rebekah Easterling

Responsive Litany

In the face of injustice, in the face of despair, we light a candle of hope

We kindle it with hope, longing for God to come to our world, to break through and reign with peace, joy and love.

Let the light from this candle say to all

that God's hope is coming on earth as it already is in heaven.

Be not afraid, God's hope and love is already being unleashed in our world! Mighty God, break through all that keeps us from you and re-form us in your image.

May this candle serve as a reminder of God's hope that is within us.

Hymn Light a Candle

Candlelighting Song (see page 4)

Advent Prayer Reed Easterling

Instrumental Meditation O Come, O Come, Emmanuel Julia Matthews

arr. xxxx and Trish Jackson

Prayer for Others and Ourselves Taylor Mason

Solo **Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring** Amy Easterling

J.S. Bach / arr. John Reed

Scripture Reading Daniel 6:6-27 Donna Watts

The Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Matt Vandagriff

Light a Candle Candlelighting Song

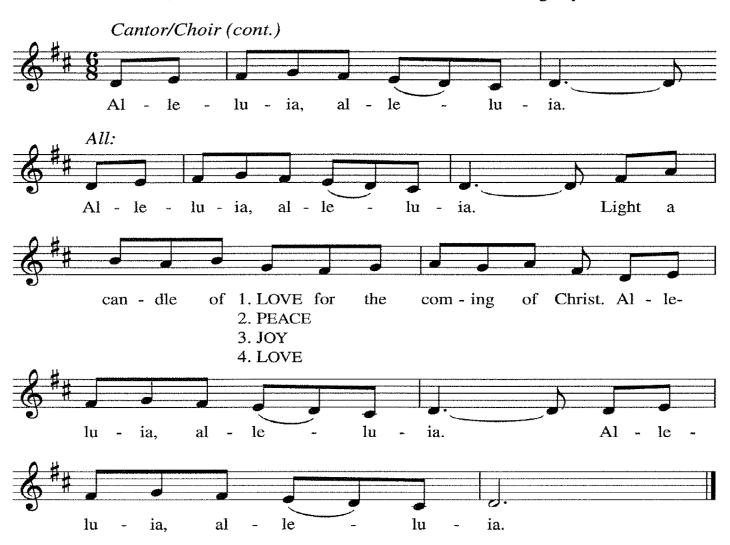
Cantor/Choir:

Advent 1: Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

Advent 2: Prepare the way of the Lord. All flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Advent 3: I am sending my messenger before you who will prepare your way before you.

Advent 4: Here I am, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.



Verse Texts: Psalm 85:7; Luke 3:4, 6; Matthew, 11:10; Luke 1:38.

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My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

(Refrain)

On Christ the solid Rock I stand; all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; in every high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil. *(Refrain)*

His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood; when all around my soul gives way he then is all my hope and stay. *(Refrain)*

Benediction Matt Vandagriff

Postlude Wachet auf (Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying)
Johann Gottfied Walther

Julia Matthews

The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God in memory of my mother, Grace Bock, on her birthday, November 20th, by Betty Bock.

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Worship Leaders Organist Julia Matthews **Pianist** Trish Jackson Scripture Reader **Donna Watts** Vocalist Amy Easterling Camera Operator Ian Blaylock Sound Operator Allen McReynolds <u>Ministers</u> Matt Vandagriff **Kyle Damron Taylor Mason Donna Watts**