Sunday, December 4, 2022

Pre-service: Prince of Heaven

Welcome

O Come All Ye Faithful Prayer of Invitation

O come, O come, Emmanuel-

God with us.

Come into our brokenness:

Come into our joy. come into our captivity:

Come into our freedom.

Come into our fear:

Come into our compassion. Have mercy upon us, O God,

And come, O come, Emmanuel.

God's Greeting Greet Each Other

Song of Praise: Hope for Everyone

Advent Candle Lighting My Soul Cries Out

Confession

Holy and loving God, we are stiff-necked people. We have dwelt in the darkness and preferred it to the light; we have been proud of our accomplishments and despaired over our shortcomings. Smooth down the mountains of our pride, and lift up the valleys of our doubts. Open a path in the wilderness of our lives that we might find our way to you again. Refine us and prepare us once again for life in your kingdom.

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Amen.

Assurance

The good news of Advent is that Jesus Christ has come into the world, has led the way through death that we may have life, and is coming again to make all things new. Hear these words of assurance from Psalm 85: "The Lord forgives the iniquity of his people and covers all their sins." In joy and in faith, let's say together these words of assurance from John 3:16.

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life."

Song: Oh Give Thanks

Children's Blessing

Prayer Scripture Sermon

Song: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Congregational Prayer Offering: during offering sing Noel

God's Parting Blessing Light of the World