

## WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST

PRELUDE *Episode on "Truro"* Arr. Smith

### +OPENING PRAYER

**Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ shared our human life,  
and was tempted in all ways as we are, and lived without sin.  
Give us grace to imitate Him in casting away the works of darkness  
and putting on the armor of light,  
so that, on the last day,  
when He shall come again in His glorious majesty  
to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal.  
Through that same Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

[Based upon the Collect prayer for this Sunday in the Church of England]

+HYMN *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus* # 196

KIDS TIME *Advent Candle Song* #2090  
(stanza 1)

ANTHEM *Advent Jubilate* Sanctuary Choir  
What a day is coming, what a day is near, when our burdens are lifted and our hearts fill with cheer. For the time is approaching when our eyes see His face, and with joy we will greet Him in His beauty and grace! Christ is coming, Jubilate! Christ is coming, Hallelujah! Sing glory to God, Jubilate Deo! What a grand celebration, what a day there will be, when our merciful Savior in love sets us free. Every girl, every woman, every boy, every man, will be gathered together at His gracious command! Jubilate Deo!

## WE PROCLAIM THE WORD AND RESPOND IN FAITH

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 2: 1-5

PSALTER Psalm 122

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"  
**Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.  
Jerusalem built as a city that is bound firmly together.**  
To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,  
**as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord.**  
For there the thrones for judgment were set up,  
**the thrones of the house of David.**  
Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:  
**"May they prosper who love you.  
Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers."  
For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, "Peace be within you."  
For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good.**

SECOND LESSON Romans 13: 11-14

+GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 24: 36-44

+ACCLAMATION *Gloria Patri* # 70

### SERMON

+HYMN *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* New Day

### SHARING OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES

Announcements

Offertory *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* comp./arr.Gauntlett

Doxology # 94

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

+ CLOSING SONG

*Go Now In Peace*

BENEDICTION

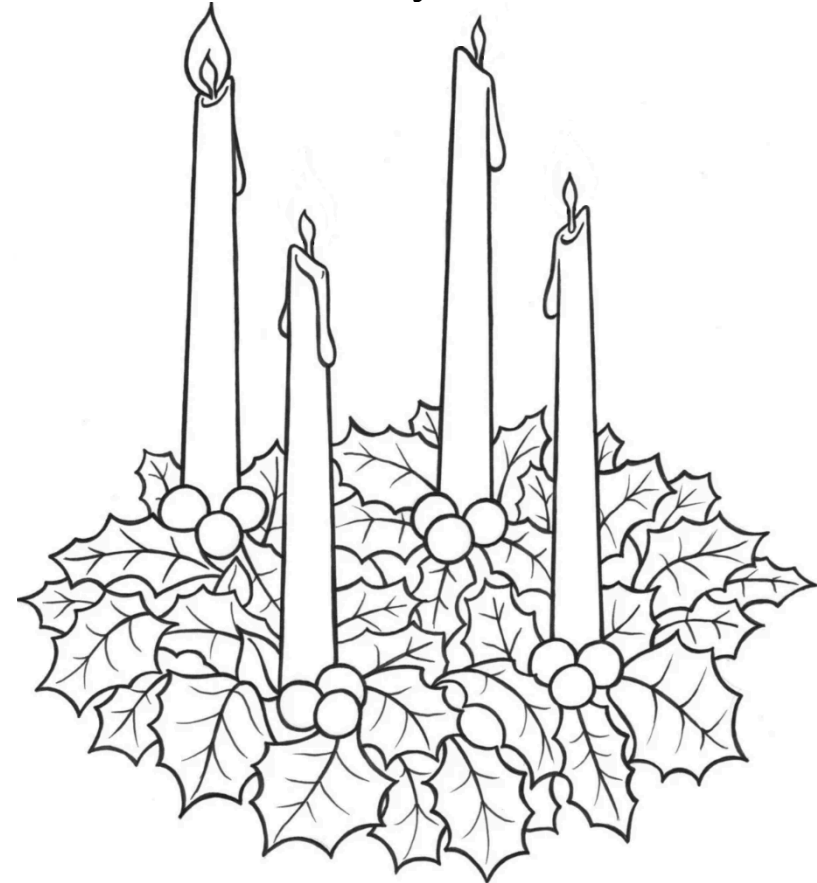
POSTLUDE

*People, Look East*

Arr. Larson

# Service of the Word

First Sunday of Advent



30 November 2025

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