

Sunday 29th. November, 2020
The First Sunday in Advent
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Scripture Sentence

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways
to the glory of your holy name. AMEN.**

Scripture: St. Mark 13:24-37

Hymn 273 O come, O come, Emmanuel,

- 1 O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.
*Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*
- 2 O come, O come, thou Lord of might,
who to Thy tribes, on Sinai's height
in ancient times didst give the law
in cloud and majesty and awe.
Refrain
- 3 O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free
thine own from Satan's tyranny;
from depths of hell thy people save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.
Refrain
- 4 O come, thou key of David, come
and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery
Refrain

5 O come, thou dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by thine advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadows put to flight..

Refrain

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Sermon

Musical Interlude

Prayer of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.**

Thy Kingdom come.

Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

**For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for
ever. Amen.**

Benediction

Choral Amen (3-fold.)