

Anticipating Advent – Watch

November 29, 2020
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The First Sunday of Advent

Greeting

Alex Lockridge

Lighting the Candle of Hope

The Calico Family

*The world says, "All is lost."
God says, "All are loved."
The darkness says, "The light is dying."
The light says, "The fire is spreading."
Fear says, "Cover your eyes and your ears."
Hope says, "Wait, watch, and listen."*

*As we light our first Advent candle,
we pray for the holy hope of God.
Come now, Child of Mary.
Come now, Child of Hope.*

Hymn

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

HYFRYDOL

*Come, Thou long-expected Jesus, born to set Thy 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.*

- Charles Wesley

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture
from Isaiah 64

Paul Sims

Hymn

The Days Are Surely Coming

LANCASHIRE

*The days are surely coming, says God to all the earth,
When you will see my promise: salvation come to birth.
My righteousness and justice will spread throughout the land
And you will be delivered by my almighty hand.*

*The days are surely coming, says Christ, the promised One,
When you will read my warning in moon and stars and sun.
Though earth and heaven tremble, stand up and do not fear,
For I am your redeemer, and I am drawing near.*

*The days are surely coming when we will know at last
The fullness of God's presence, God's promise, come to pass.
Then righteousness and justice will spread throughout the land
And we will be delivered by God's almighty hand.*

- David Gambrell; from Jeremiah 33 & Mark 13

A Moment for Children
from Mark 13

Alice Tremaine

Sermon

“Anticipating Advent – Watch”

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Response

While We Are Waiting, Come

by Don Cason

While we are wait - ing, come; while we are wait - ing, come.
With power and glo - ry, come; with power and glo - ry, come.
Come, Sav - ior, quick - ly come; come, Sav - ior, quick - ly come.

Je - sus, our Lord, Em - man - u - el, while we are wait - ing, come.

- Claire Cloninger

Prayers of the People

Alex Lockridge

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

Response

Song of Hope

Argentine Folk Song



Pray-ing, ___ let us work for peace, ___ sing-ing, ___ share our joy with all, ___
work-ing ___ for a world that's new, ___ faith-ful ___ when we hear Christ's call. ___

May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.

*May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race. **REFRAIN***

- Alvin Schutmaat

Benediction

Alex Lockridge

*In every way you have been enriched in Christ Jesus – in speech and knowledge of every kind – just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you – so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you watch for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.***

- from I Corinthians 1

Carolyn Garr, cantor

Edward Garr, percussion

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