

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent

November 29, 2020

10:00am

Gathering

Welcome

Call to Worship

One: The Lord has done great things for us!

**All: And we are filled with joy!**

One: Our God has turned our weeping into singing.

**All: Our tears into songs of joy!**

One: O Christ our God, come anew in our hearts this day.

**All: And remain in us forever.**

Opening Hymn

“Shall We Gather at the River”

No. 723

Advent Candle Lighting

One: Jesus said, “I am the light of the world; the one who follows me will not walk in darkness but have the light of life.”

**All: We light this candle as a sign of the coming light of Christ.**

*(One purple candle is lit)*

One: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

**All: Those who lived in a land of deep darkness – on them light has shined.**

Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer

Special Music

Act of Assurance – Baptism of Caleb Jordan Fetterman

No. 39

Prayer for Illumination

**God of love and power you are revealed to us in your Word, in accounts of prophecy and fulfillment that direct our attention to Jesus Christ. Illumine us now as we hear your Word proclaimed, that we may open our hearts to him, yearn for his coming in glory, and serve him with joy. Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Psalm 46

Hymn of Preparation

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

No. 211

Scripture Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Sermon

Be Still and Know that I Am God

Pastor Sam

Pastoral Prayer

Closing Hymn

“Marching to Zion”

No. 733

Benediction

**Large print bulletins and hymnals are available. If you would like one, please see an usher.**