

December 5, 2021, Second Sunday of Advent

**We Gather Together** Mi Yit Neni Of- Traditional Jewish Melody- arr. D. Shimoni  
**Words of Welcome**

**Kate Caton**

**Lighting the Advent Candle**

**Leader:** During this season of anticipation and celebration, we are reminded that there are those who have wandered away from the faith they knew as a child.

**People:** **Come to the cradle all who have wandered away. There you will find a place at the table reserved for you.**

**Leader:** Some have traveled down dark roads. They have traded the love of God for the poisoned promises of power, or wealth, or prestige.

**People:** **Come to the cradle all who have wandered away. There you will find healing for your soul, and peace for your mind.**

**Leader:** Some have drifted so far away that they no longer believe that they can find their way back, or that they have the strength to make the journey.

**People:** **Come to the cradle all who have wandered away. There you will find your strength renewed, and your purpose rekindled.**

**Leader:** Too many have believed the lie that they cannot come back. They have given up; surrendering to the pain and isolation that has become their lives.

**People:** **Come to the cradle all who have wandered away. God is waiting with open arms.**

**Lighting the First Candle**

**Light the Advent Candle (vs. 2)**

**No. 2090**

2. Light the Advent Candle two Think of humble shepherds who  
Filled with wonder at the sight Of the child on Christmas night

**Chorus:**

Candle, candle, burning bright Shining in the cold winter night  
Candle, candle, burning bright Fill our hearts with Christmas Light

**Invocation**

**\*Hymn**

**Hail to the Lord's Anointed**

**No.203**

1. Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!  
Hail in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free;  
to take away transgression, and rule in equity.
  
2. He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong;  
to help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong;  
to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,  
whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in his sight.
  
3. He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;  
love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth.  
Before him on the mountains, shall peace, the herald, go,  
and righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.
  
4. To him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend;

his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.  
The tide of time shall never his covenant remove;  
his name shall stand forever; that name to us is love.

**The First Reading**

**Jeremiah 50:4-7**

**The Word in Music** I Wonder as I Wander-Appalachian Tune- arr. A. Potter

**HUMC Choir**

**The Pastor's Time with Kids**

**\*Blessing the Gifts that We Bring Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow No.95**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns with God**

**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*

**\*Hymn**

**Like a Child**

**No.2092**

1. Like a child love would send to reveal and to mend, Like a child and a friend, Jesus comes  
Like a child we may find claiming heart soul and mind, Like a child strong and kind, Jesus comes
2. Like a child we will meet, ragged clothes, dirty feet, Like a child on the street, Jesus comes  
Like a child we once knew coming back into view, Like a child born anew, Jesus comes
3. Like a child born to pray and to show us the way, Like a child here to stay, Jesus comes  
Like a child we receive all that love can conceive, Like a child we believe Jesus comes

**Come to the Cradle**

**Gospel Reading**

**Luke 19:1-10**

***Come All Who Have Wandered Away***

**Sharing the Sacrament of Holy Communion**

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**\*Hymn**

**People, Look East**

**No.202**

1. People, look east. The time is near Of the crowning of the year.  
Make your house fair as you are able, Trim the hearth and set the table.  
People, look east and sing today: Love, the guest, is on the way.
2. Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare, One more seed is planted there:  
Give up your strength the seed to nourish, That in course the flower may flourish.  
People, look east and sing today: Love, the rose, is on the way.
3. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim

One more light the bowl shall brim,  
Shining beyond the frosty weather,  
Bright as sun and moon together.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the star, is on the way.

**4.** Angels, announce with shouts of mirth  
Christ who brings new life to earth.  
Set every peak and valley humming  
With the word, the Lord is coming.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the Lord, is on the way.

**\*Benediction**

**Advent Proclamation**

**HUMC Choir**

**\*Postlude**

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