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Sunday, November 27, 2016, 10:00am
Advent 1
Theme: God's Path of Peace

✠ indicates stand as you are able
bold indicates participation by the people

MV = More Voices
VU = Voices United

We Gather With

PRELUDE: *Maple Leaf Brass – Sarabande and Minuet*
– Johann Sebastian Bach

PRE-SERVICE CAROLS – *The Maple Leaf Brass (Projected)*

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vv.1,7)

A Candle Is Burning (vv.1,2)

It Came upon the Midnight Clear (vv.1,2)

VU#1
VU#6
VU#44

WELCOME to our Livestream Worship Service

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TREATY 7 LAND

GREETING ONE ANOTHER & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING (*lighter?*)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God.

In the beginning is our hope, and hope is in God.

This Advent season begins with hope for this world.

This lit candle symbolizes our hope for this season of short days and long nights.

(light one blue candle)

INTROIT: *Jesus Came Bringing Us Hope (v.1)*

MV#33

CALL TO WORSHIP: *(Youth/Youth Leaders)*

OPENING PRAYER: *(Youth/Youth Leaders)*

†HYMN: *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

VU#2

CHILDREN'S TIME – Advent 1 Godly Play

(Children and Youth are invited to join their leaders at one of the entrances to the Sanctuary)

Open Minds

SCRIPTURE: *Isaiah 2:1-5 (NRSV)*

Scripture Reader: Barb Cousens

Affirmation:

One: This is the witness of The Church,

Many: thanks be to God!

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *The Maple Leaf Brass – Quatuor en forme de Sonatine – mvt. 2 –Anton Simon*

THE MESSAGE: *Peace and Prophecy*

Open Hands

†HYMN: *All Earth Is Waiting (Projected)*

VU#5

MINUTE FOR ST. THOMAS: UCW

INVITATION TO OPEN HANDS

OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN HANDS

with our Offerings, & Prayers.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *The Maple Leaf Brass – Fantasia – A. Banchieri*

†OFFERTORY: *In the Bleak Midwinter (v.4) (Projected)*

VU#55

‡OFFERTORY PRAYER: (*Unison, Projected*)

We are called to travel on God's paths, with people from every nation. Let us live in the light of God that we may unlearn war and learn peace. We bring the best of ourselves and our offerings, to God's church and world.

CALL TO PRAYER: *Hope Shines as the Solitary Star (2x) (Projected)*

MV#220

PASTORAL PRAYERS & PRAYER OF JESUS (*Unison, Projected*)

Open Hearts to Each Other and the World

‡COMMISSIONING and BENEDECTION: (*Unison, Projected*)

May you meet peace before you (*arms outstretched in front*).

May you be at peace with all that is behind you (*cross arms over chest, hands touching your shoulders*).

May your words be of peace (*touch lips*).

May your mind be at peace (*touch head*).

May peace fill your heart (*hands over heart*).

May peace from God fill your whole being (*arms outstretched overhead*)
and be shared with all around you (*hands up in front of chest, rotate to left and right*).

‡HYMN: *Hope Is a Star (Projected)*

VU#7

POSTLUDE: *The Maple Leaf Brass – Rondeau – Jean Francois Dandrieu; Gigue - Gretry*

Participating in worship leadership today: Rev. Tracy Robertson, Kari Orosz, The Maple Leaf Brass, Mark Wagner, Brian Shewan, Erin MacLean-Berko, Pat & Stu Robbins, Gladys Marshall, Myrna Malanik, Barb Cousens, The UCW, Andrew Taylor-Kerr, The Youth Group, Kristin Raugust, Lori Weller, Corine Copeland.