

MORNING WORSHIP

First Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2009

9:30 A.M.

(* indicates congregation will please stand)

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome-Donna Bergman

* Call to Worship:

Leader: In anticipation we gather.

People: With expectation we wait.

Leader: We gather to watch for the coming of the good news into our world and into our lives.

People: We wait to see the fullness of God's vision.

Leader: O God, open the doors to our hearts, that we may have room for the birth of Jesus.

People: O God, as we marvel over all that you are doing, overwhelm us with so much wonder that words of praise spring forth from our lips!

Leader: In this time of waiting, let true worship begin in our hearts.

People: Let our praises rise up to the heavens! Let our celebrations spread new hope over a tired world! Let us gather together all our dreams and lives to worship our God! Amen!

* Opening Hymn: *O Come, O Come Immanuel* #328, stanzas 1-4,
Psalter Hymnal

* We Greet One Another

* Songs of Praise: *Awake! Awake and Great the New Morn* #91,
Sing! a new creation

* Opening Prayer

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Advent Candle Reading-led by the Berns-Schweingruber family

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Advent Prayer

Hymn of Response: *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You* #331,
Psalter Hymnal

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Scripture: Ezekiel 37:1-14 (p. 798)

Message: **A Trip to the Valley**

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn of Response: *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* #420,
Psalter Hymnal

Morning Prayer

Offering

Offertory (While the offering is being taken, please sign and pass the red fellowship pads.)

Hymn of Dedication: *This Is Your God/Meekness and Majesty* #109, *Sing! a new creation*

WE DEPART TO SERVE

* Blessing from God

* Closing Hymn: *Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding* #332,
Psalter Hymnal

* Postlude

Organ/Piano: Sue Bokhoven