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Sunday, November 30, 2014

First Sunday of Advent

8:30 & 11:00am

As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.

"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH: (8:30) Hess Family; (11:00) Long Family

Leader: This first Sunday in Advent we light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Hope. May the

light sent from God shine in the darkness to show us the way of salvation.

People: O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,

That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

*PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus At Your Name Mighty To Save

SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]

(Children may come up front during the passing of the peace for the Children's Message)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Jean Pontz

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING 2 Kings 2:9-12 (OT p333)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING 1 Peter 1:3-9 (NT p232)

SERMON Apostles' Creed: Faith 101 "I Can Only Imagine" Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "I Can Only Imagine"

*BENEDICTION

O come, thou Wisdom from on high, who orderest all things mightily: To us the path of knowledge show; and teach us in her ways to go. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

^{*}PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER

^{*}APOSTLES' CREED (p.14 in the hymnal)

NEXT WEEK -- APOSTLES' CREED Isaiah 41:8-13 Ephesians 1:20-23 "Seated at the Right Hand"