



THE DAWNING OF PEACE

ADVENT 2

DECEMBER 6, 2015

Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School – 10:50 a.m.

PRELUDE

Carol Buller, Accompanist

WELCOME

Duane Graber, Worship Leader

*GATHERING HYMNS

STS #1

Praise the one who breaks the darkness

#176

Comfort, comfort, O my people

LITANY: THE LIGHT AWAITS**

Melinda Regehr, Lizzie Shelly, Sammy Stayton, and Anna Woelk

SUNG RESPONSE (sing once through as each candle is lit)



Light one can-dle for peace, peace that the whole world needs.



Light one can-dle for peace, peace that the Sav-ior will bring.

Light One Candle is a piece that the WorshipArts children have been learning as they contemplate the elements of light and color amidst the symbols of advent and the dawning of peace messages that are part of the worship service this Advent season.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Sara Mwangura

SCRIPTURE

Luke 1:68-79 and Luke 3:1-6

ANTHEM

Down by the riverside

arr. Powell

(Please reserve expressions of appreciation for Community Building time)

ADVENT REFLECTION

Ruth Harder

*HYMN #323

Beyond a dying sun

COMMUNION SERVICE

- Words of Institution and Invitation
- Sharing Bread and Cup

Please come forward by the center aisle, take the bread and dip it in the cup of juice. Return by the side aisle. To receive a blessing in lieu of partaking in the bread and cup, please present yourself with hands folded. Gluten free crackers and grapes are also available.

Hymn during communion: #463 *Let all mortal flesh keep silence*

- *Hymn of Response STS #16 *Peace (Light, Christ) before us*

COMMUNITY BUILDING TIME

INTRODUCTIONS

We are glad you are here. Once the attendance register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

SHARING JOY

SHARING CONCERNS

CENTERING PRAYER

#346 *Dona nobis pacem*

Bob Carlson

OFFERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN #208 st. 1,3

Love came down at Christmas



Children in K - 5th grade are dismissed for WorshipArts (Room 114), a time for children to respond to worship, ask questions and learn more about the language, ritual, movement, sound and art incorporated in worship. 6-12th grade women are dismissed to Ruth's office for choir rehearsal.

***SENDING FORTH**

L: Lord Jesus Christ, Sun of righteousness,
C: **shine on those who sit in darkness
and the shadow of death,
for you are the morning star of the universe,
the light and life of the world,
and we proclaim your glory,
now and forever. AMEN.*****

***POSTLUDE**

* Please stand as you are able.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*.
Songs designated “STS” are in the purple *Sing the Story* hymnal.

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****Sing the Story* #128

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