

Welcome to our Service of Worship

*In God's house there are no strangers.
If you have come as a visitor today,
We hope you will leave as a friend!*

Mission Statement

***To make Christ visible in our lives, our church,
our community and our world***

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

Announcements

Contemporary song

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Candle Song

Call To Worship:

**L: Blessed be the God who brings us together,
whose amazing wonders fill the universe.**

P: All creation speaks to us of our Creator, who calls us
into this community of caring people.

**L: Listen, people of God, for a message of hope;
look around you for opportunities to share the
Good News!**

P: The God of hope fills us with joy and peace; the
Holy Spirit empowers us to serve in humble trust.

Hymn #196

Opening Prayer:

**God of hope, fill us with the joy and peace of
believing. May the power of the Holy Spirit bless
what we say and do here. As Jesus came as a
servant to fulfill your promise of salvation, so
may we sing praises with our lips and serve you
wholly in our lives, to the end that the nations
may affirm your glory. We ask this in Jesus
name. Amen.**

Children message:

First Lesson: Matthew 3:1-12

JOYS AND CONCERNS PRAYER REQUEST

**PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR
OFFERINGS**

***OFFERTORY:**

***DOXOLOGY #95**

***Prayer**

***HYMN #347**

Sermon Text: Romans 15:4-13

Message: Welcome One Another