

**November 28, 2021
Advent 1
Holy Communion**

Welcome

Gathering Hymn: VU 7 Hope is a Star (vs 1)

Candle of Hope:

For the signs in the sun and the moon and the stars, **we light this candle.** For the unknown and the not yet, **we light this candle.** For seeds planted in hope and prayers prayed in earnest, **we light this candle.** For doubt and confusion, for these days of wandering and wondering, **we light this candle.** For all that we didn't know we were waiting for, **we light this candle of Hope.**

****We are walking a path of hope, we are walking a path of hope. We are walking a path of hope, lead me home, lead me home.***

Call to Worship

O come, O come, Emmanuel. We are people of a promise God's promise. From ancient times, God has promised to be with us. **O come, O come, Emmanuel.** Even though we know Emmanuel has come, in this Season of Advent we experience the waiting all over again. **O come, O come, Emmanuel.** Together, we wait for God's reign of righteousness, justice, and peace. We wait for Emmanuel – God with us. **Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.**

Opening Prayer

Holy One, we open our hearts today to the light, the wisdom and the wondering of Advent; to the now and the not yet of your presence. Guide us into this new season, show us the way and help us discover you anew. Amen

***Hymn:* VU 2 Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus**

Prayers for Grace & Transformation

Words of Assurance

The good news is God's love is steadfast and God's hope is never ending. God remembers us! Thanks be to God. Amen

The Peace

Scripture

Prayer for Illumination

We Listen

First Testament:	Isaiah 64 : 1-9
Psalm	80, VU 794 Part one
Gospel-Évangile	Mark 13: 24-37

****Prepare the way of the Lord, prepare the way of the Lord! Make a straight path for him, make a straight path, prepare the way of the Lord!***

Reflection

***Hymns: Christmas past and Christmas new...
VU 44 & 45***

**Invitation to the offering/Offertory Prayer
Announcements**

Holy Communion (see insert)

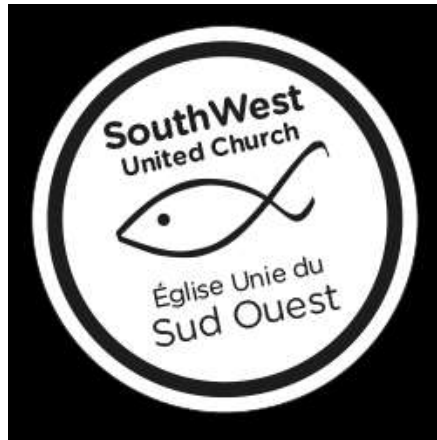
Prayers of Hope/Lord's Prayer

Response: Kindle a flame to lighten the dark, and take all fear away (VU 19)

**Extinguishing the Candle
Benediction/Commissioning**

***Hymn:* VU 602 Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

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Today we light the Candle of Hope

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