

Prayer Service



Leader: We are looking forward to Christ's coming. *Advent* means "coming." Jesus' coming was one of the greatest events that ever happened. Let us make the Advent season more meaningful by preparing our hearts. The prophet Isaiah told us how to get ready. He talked about making a straight highway for the Lord. Let us listen to his message.

Reader 1: A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

A voice cries out, "In the desert prepare the way of the Lord! Make a straight highway for the Lord. Let every valley be filled in and every mountain and hill be made low. Let every cliff become a plain and the rough country a valley. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed!"

(adapted from Isaiah 40:3-5)

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Leader: Let us now offer our petitions to God. The response is "Come, Lord Jesus."

Reader 2: That we may prepare our hearts with love for Jesus . . .

Reader 3: That we may learn to show love and share with others . . .

Reader 4: That we may choose to make others happy by the things we do. . .

Reader 5: That we may follow Jesus, the Light, and invite him to stay in our hearts . . .

Leader: Let us ask Jesus to help us welcome him into our hearts during these four weeks of Advent and always.