

ORDER OF WORSHIP
DECEMBER TWENTY-SECOND, 2024
Fourth Sunday of Advent

“Being deeply loved by someone gives you strength, while loving someone deeply gives you courage.” — Lao Tzu

PRELUDE “And He Shall Come: 4, The Father’s Love” Don Hart

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME MUSIC “2000 Miles” The Pretenders
Pilgrim Band

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Love deeply, creating the wells of kinship,

Many: For in the Body of Christ we belong.

One: Love boldly, like the spirited colors of a rainbow,

Many: For in the Body of Christ we find peace.

One: Love joyfully, like the blissful songs in the wind,

Many: For in the Body of Christ we claim our connections.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, forever. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Charles McArdle Garnick
son of Randall Garnick & Erin McArdle

LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH CANDLE OF ADVENT
THE LOVE CANDLE

THE ADVENT WREATH SONG

Light the Advent candle one. Light the Advent candle two.
Now the waiting has begun. Think of us, the people who
We have started on our way, Are in need of that great light,
Time to think of Christmas day. That will come on Christmas night.

Light the Advent candle three. Light the Advent candle four.
Think of what it means to be Think of how, like many more,
Giving of ourselves today, We feel good when we receive,
Showing love in some small way. Gifts of love to fill our need.

Refrain:
Candle, candle burning bright,
Shining in the cold winter night.
Candle, candle burning bright,
Fill our hearts with Christmas light.

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY “Happy Xmas (War Is Over)” John Lennon

DOXOLOGY #778 New Century Hymnal *Old 100th*
You may rise in body or in spirit

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done:
Creator, Christ and Spirit One.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GREET ONE ANOTHER

SHARING OF CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

THE PRAYERS

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:46–55 (*p.* 832)

THE MESSAGE “Mary, Full of Grace” Rev. Charley

HYMN #131 Pilgrim Hymnal “Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming”
You may rise in body or in spirit.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “I Believe in Father Christmas”
 Greg Lake and Peter Sinfield

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