

ADVENT 4: LOVE

Order of Worship for December 20, 2020

kid musicians

Countdown

Opening Sequence (Logo/Vision Statement)

Welcome

Prelude and Theme Intro (THANK YOU - photos/names of those LOVING our communities)

The First Noel DIANE PIANO!

Lighting the Advent Wreath/Prayer

Bukola and Sam

We light the fourth candle of Advent.

We kindle it with love.

We seek the courage to say yes to loving God
and loving our neighbors in all the ways we can.

We long to restore love to our communities.

Let us pray:

Revealing God, visit us and fill us with your Spirit.

Bring your good news to life within us.

Give us passion to struggle for justice
and endurance for the work ahead.

Shine on us, O God of love;

Guide our path through gloom of night;

Bear within us Wisdom's glory;

Come to us, O Christ the Light.

Amen.

Hymn

People, Look East

People look east the time is near
Of the crowning of the year
Make your house fair as you are able
Trim the hearth and set the table
People look east and sing today
Love the guest is on the way

Stars keep the watch when night is dim
One more light the bowl shall brim
Shining beyond the frosty weather
Bright as sun and moon together
People look east and sing today
Love the star is on the way

Offering/Prayer

Special Music- Kids

The Christmas Story - Artist Edition

Hymn

Away in a Manger

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 61:1-4

The Lord God's spirit is upon me,
because the Lord has anointed me.
He has sent me
to bring good news to the poor,
to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim release for captives,
and liberation for prisoners,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor
and a day of vindication for our God,
to comfort all who mourn,
to provide for Zion's mourners,
to give them a crown in place of ashes,
oil of joy in place of mourning,
a mantle of praise in place of discouragement.
They will be called Oaks of Righteousness,
planted by the Lord to glorify himself.
They will rebuild the ancient ruins;
they will restore formerly deserted places;
they will renew ruined cities,
places deserted in generations past.

Piano Piece

Sermon

Special Music

Tiny Little Baby Named Jesus

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn

What Child is This

Benediction

Postlude

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing arr. Smith