

ST. ANDREW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 am, December 23, 2018

4th Sunday of Advent



*Please stand as you are able

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING MUSIC

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

arr. J. Mansfield

*LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Dear God, thank you that you love us so much even when we turn away from you. Thank you for sending us your son Jesus to show us how to live lives of love. Help us to be aware of your love and share it with others always. Amen

*HYMN

“A Candle is Burning”

by S.

Dean

Tune “Away in a Manger”

A candle is burning, a flame warm and bright:
A candle of **Hope** in the darkest of night.
Though troubled and worried, yet we will not fear.
Our hearts are now hopeful, for Jesus is near.

A candle is burning, a candle of **Peace**;
A beacon to signal that conflict must cease.
For Jesus is coming to show us the way;
A koha, a taonga is laid in the hay.

A candle is burning, a candle of **Joy**;
A warm glow to welcome brave Mary’s new boy.
New life like a koru now being unfurled.
God’s promise of Joy to an expectant world.

A candle is burning, a flame strong and sure
Reminds us that God's **Love** will always endure.
Deep love like the ocean, steady as the tide.
Great love which comes to us with arms open wide.

PASTORAL PRAYER

WORSHIP WITH TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND GIFTS OF PRESENCE
Offertory Music "Offertory on Stille Nacht"

arr. D. Paxton

DOXOLOGY 221 "In the Bleak Midwinter" vs 4

PROCLAMATION

CHRISTMAS PRESENCE

A Gathering of Hope, Peace, and Love

By Pepper Choplin

Chancel Choir

Narrators: Sheila Radochio and Pepper Harrison

"The World Awaits Your Coming"

"We are Here, God is Here"

"Tiny Miracle"

"Angels Came to Earth One Night"

"Call of the Magi"

"Still They Are Here" Soloist Carol Linger

"Hope, Love, and Joy to the World"

"Go Tell It Where I Send Thee"

SENDING FORTH

BENEDICTION

SENDING MUSIC 251 "Go Tell It on the Mountain"

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