

ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

December 3, 2017

10:30 a.m.

\* *Stand if you are able*

**Bold:** *Said by all*

*All hymns, scriptures and congregational prayers are projected.*

*Musical Prelude*

CALL TO WORSHIP

\* Entry of the Word

Welcome and Announcements

**Call to Worship:**

**Lighting the Advent Candle of Hope**

(Rob & Lynn Paterson)

Invocation for Advent

Gathering Hymn: *"Hope is a Star"*

(#119)

**Prayer of Adoration and Confession:**

**Assurance of Pardon:**

**Sharing the Peace of Christ:**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Choir Anthem: *"Christmas Communion Song"*

(Susan N. Callaway)

\*Children's Hymn: *"Days of Elijah"*

Children's Time

(children Grade 9 & under leave for Sunday School)

**Prayer for Illumination (in unison):**

**God of grace, you have given us words of hope in the midst of our fear. Let us hear your words of hope. Help us to interpret your will for our lives, help us to interpret the signs of the times through the lens of your grace, so that we may find comfort in your promises.**

**Scriptures:** Isaiah 64:1-9

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Mark 13:24-37

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

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**MINISTER:** Rev. Mikal Schomburg

**ORGANIST:** Mr. Ian Madge

**SERMON**

*Silent Reflection*

OUR RESPONSE

\* Hymn of Response: *"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"*

(#534)

Declaration of Faith

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings, Offertory

\* Doxology (#79)

Prayer of Dedication

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Preparation of the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (responsive)

The Communion

Prayer after Communion

\* Hymn: *"O Come, Oh Come, Emmanuel"* (N.B.P. #122)

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

### SENDING

\* Parting Hymn: *"Sent Forth By Your Blessing"* (#775)

\* Benediction:

\* *"Go Now In Peace"*

\* Exit of the Word Musical Postlude