Order of Worship
December 04, 2016 – 11:00 a.m.
Second Sunday of Advent

Introit

Welcome & Announcements

PRAISE AND ADORATION

Lighting The Candle of Love:
Hear the words from the prophet Isaiah 7:10-14 – "Again the Lord spoke to [King] Ahaz, saying, 'Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven'. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: 'Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel.'"

*Hymn: "O Come, All Ye Faithful"   # 41

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)
Holy God, we confess that we do not always walk in your light. We hurt and destroy each other; we neglect the poor and hungry. We let evil go unchecked among us and we fail to bear good fruit. Forgive us; deliver us; prepare the way for us, so that we may be ready to enter into your presence in a new way during this Christmas season. For the sake of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Confession Response: **"Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us."**   # 574

Assurance of Pardon

Greeting One Another

*Response   "Gloria Patri"   # 579

HEARING THE WORD

Let the Children Come

Choral Music

Scripture Reading: Matthew 3:1-12

Sermon: "Repentance Is about the Future"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn: "Let Us Break Bread Together, on Our Knees" # 513

Eucharist
Invitation to the Table
        May the Lord be with you.
        And also with you.
        Lift up your hearts.
        We lift our hearts up to the Lord.
        Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
        It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer
Communion of the People
Prayer after Communion

Offertory and Presentation of Gifts to God

*Doxology   # 592

Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn: "Of the Father's Love Begotten"   # 309

*Charge and Benediction

Benediction Response: "Amen"