

UNIONVILLE EPC WORSHIP SERVICE

December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021

11:00 AM

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Welcome and Announcements

**CALL TO WORSHIP (To be read responsively)**

Leader: This is a day of preparation.

**People: Open our hearts, O Lord,  
and make us ready to receive You.**

Leader: Repentance, changing our attitudes, our  
lives, is the beginning of our preparation.

**People: Lord, give us courage and confidence.**

Leader: God will fill us with joy and peace as we  
become witnesses to God's love.

**People: Lord, help us to be faithful servants  
all of our days.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent Candle – The Harvey Family

**Opening Hymn: #243 Emmanuel**

Prayer of Invocation

Apostle's Creed

Gloria Patri

**Prayer of Confession (In Unison)**

Heavenly Father - forgive us for the times when we  
ignore those who cry forth from the wilderness.  
Forgive us also for our failures to listen to those  
who herald Thy presence. By Thy grace, shed light  
on our paths through the darkness of this world,  
and stir up our hearts to prepare for the coming of  
Jesus Christ. Illuminate us with the joy of the  
Gospel, and equip us to embody the Good News.  
Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Doxology

**Scripture Readings**

**Malachi 3:1      Page 1490**

**Luke 3:1-18      Page 1593**

Sermon: ***Repent! For the Kingdom is at Hand***

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

**Hymn: #249 O Come All Ye Faithful**

Benediction