

Peace United Church of Christ
Worship Resources for the Second Sunday of Advent
December 8, 2024

If you have an Advent wreath at home, place it nearby and light it as part of the service.

## Welcome

## **Opening Hymn**

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

Come, Thou long expected Jesus, Born to set Thy people free; From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in Thee. Israel's strength and consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear Desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver, Born a child and yet a King, Born to reign in us forever, Now Thy gracious Kingdom bring. By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone; By Thine all sufficient merit, Raise us to Thy glorious throne. **Lighting the Second Advent Candle: PEACE** 

Prayer: God, come to us anew with messages of what makes for peace in our world. Speak to us and through us, that the work of peace may begin anew, as we wait to welcome the Prince of Peace this Christmas. Amen

Scripture Readings Philippians 1: 3-11 Luke 3: 1-6

Meditation

Prayers of the People/The Prayer of Our Savior (debts and debtors)

Closing Song "Hark the Glad Sound"

Hark, the glad sound! The Savior comes! The Savior promised long; Let every heart prepare a throne, And every voice a song.

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace, Thy welcome shall proclaim; And Heav'n's eternal arches ring With Thy beloved name.

**Benediction & Sending Forth**