



St Ives Uniting Church

17 December 2023

Advent 3

Service of Lessons & Carols

Welcome and Notices

Lawrence Peak

Carol: 312 Once in royal David's city

Bidding prayer

Beth Dulin

First Lesson: Genesis 3: 8–19

God tells sinful Adam that he has lost the life of Paradise and that his seed will bruise the serpent's head.

Lighting the Advent candles

Carol: 265 O come, O come, Emmanuel! (3 verses)

Second Lesson: Genesis 22: 15–18

God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.

Carol: Come sing the songs of Christmas time

Third Lesson: Isaiah 9: 2; 6–7

The prophet foretells the coming of the Saviour.

Carol: 304 O Come all ye faithful (Verses 1,2,4,6)

Fourth Lesson: Isaiah 11: 1–3a; 4a; 6–9

The peace that Christ will bring is foreshown.

Carol: 302 The angel Gabriel

Fifth Lesson: Luke 1: 26–35; 38

The angel Gabriel salutes the virgin Mary.

Carol: 319 Child in the manger

Sixth Lesson: Luke 2: 1; 3–7

Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.

Carol: 299 While shepherds watched their flocks

Seventh Lesson: Luke 2: 8–16

The shepherds go to the manger.

Offering

Carol: 314 As with gladness, men of old

Eighth Lesson: Matthew 2: 1–12

The magi are led by the star to Jesus.

Sermon: Light and hope

Ninth Lesson: John 1:1-14

Carol: 303 Hark the herald angels sing

Postlude

Organist

Jim Abraham



