

A Service of Lessons and Carols

Advent is a wonderful time to tell the Christian story through music and scripture. This does not have to be a complex service—by interspersing Bible readings with carol singing, the story of Christ can be rehearsed for the congregation. Use your creativity to tailor the service to your own church.

Called to Worship

- Carol #122 – ***Oh come, oh come, Emmanuel*** (in the Blue Hymnbook)

Prayer of Approach, Confession, The Lord's Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

Lighting the Advent Candle

Advent Liturgy (read responsively)

First Lesson: Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19

- Carol #119 – ***Hope is a star***

Time with the Children

Prayer for illumination

Second Lesson Genesis 22:16-18

- Carol # 123 – ***My Soul give glory to my God***

Third Lesson: Isaiah 1:9:2, 6-7

- Carol #118 – ***Hark the Glad sound***

Fourth Lesson: Isaiah 11:1-4, 6-9

- Carol #115 – ***Hail to the Lord's Anointed***

Fifth Lesson: Luke 1:26-35, 38

- Carol #136 – ***The first nowell***

Sixth Lesson: Mark 1:1-15

- Carol #139 – ***Hark! The herald angels sing***

Seventh Lesson: John 1:1-14

Meditation

Offertory

Prayer of the People

- Carol #133 – ***Go, tell it on the mountain***
- Benediction

- Please stand if you are able