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Welcome To Worship

July 25, 2021

Rerun of December 6, 2020

9:30 a.m.

Advent 2020:

Holy Mother, Hear My Prayer



Welcome to this time of being with God and each other.

TODAY'S WORSHIP
Second Sunday of Advent

Preparing To Worship...



“The Great Mother continues to watch over her creation with love and care.”

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- ✧ **Welcome and Community News**
- ✧ **Readying Ourselves for Worship**

*Surely God is in this place, Holy Ground!
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Holy Ground!*

- ✧ **Becoming Present to God and Each Other...Our Check-in:**

How Are You As You Arrive...how is it with your spirit?

- ✧ **Gathered as God's People: Embracing Holy Mother...Our Advent Theme**

A Music Video **“Holy Mother, Hear Our Prayer”** by Eric Clapton, Luciano Pavorotti, and the East London Gospel Choir <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=581976972502294>

[Advent Candle Lighting: Lifting a Personal Prayer for This Time!](#)



Jayne and John Risberg

✧Opening Ourselves to God's Grace

✧Sharing Our Inner Most Lives with God

Lord God, in a world where disaster and despair greet each other daily, I so long for Your steadfast love and faithfulness to meet! Things have got to change! If only Your righteousness and peace *would* kiss...in me! It would give me courage to do what I can do in this world, and be "who" you make me to be in this world...and that would change...*everything*! I guess for that to happen steadfast love and faithfulness would have to meld together in me first. Geeze...

You see my best efforts thus far, well...often they are like fading flowers, and seem to wither and die. In honest moments, I guess I know I am not being as faithful as You call me to be! To do so is so uncomfortable in this risky, politicized world!

Lord, I cry out to be comforted, even as I do strive to comfort others. I don't quite know how to see my way through the tasks at hand so prepare a way in me.

I need to find a way out of this wilderness and go a straight way home. I need to acknowledge the gift that I am...and give it...to myself...so I can give my very best to others. Holy Mother, You hear my prayer. Please hold my hand...

✧You may wish to name with God what within you needs most to be awoken with a kiss this morning; or you may share a time your best efforts brought comfort to another...or, yourself...and ask to be sustained in these ways; or you may simply invite Jesus to come beside you this morning shining his healing light all around and through you.

✧Bible's Wisdom Teachings...preceded by teaching on *The Thunder Perfect Mind*

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13 Isaiah 40:1-11 The Thunder Perfect Mind 2:1-19

✧Prompting

Holy Mother, Hear My Prayer

"Be Comfort-able!"

Rev. Karen Hagen



✧Special Music Video
✧Sharing Our Wisdom

✧ Affirming Our Faith with Intention

For some of us, we are able to freely lift these words. For others of us, these words capture our prayer. For all of us, grace is needed...*and grace abounds!* So, in faith, let us say:

Every
day that I live
becomes more meaningful,
more fulfilled, and, for me, much
more enriching. Time is too short, I've
discovered, so I honor all the tremendous
revelations of the love of God which life has
given me: amazing new insights, new visions, new
possibilities, new dimensions of human living, new
relationships with people around me, new depths of
concern...of agony, and of joy which make my life
--yes, I can truly say it—*so* deeply meaningful
that I'm eager when I go to bed at night to
awake the next morning and say, "It's
a new day, a new life, it's a new
experience of God and of
Humankind

✧ Community Prayers: Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

✧ Our Families Share of Their Christmas Traditions: The Fortier Family

✧ Honoring the Sustaining Financial Gifts of Our Faithing Community



✧ Special Slideshow of Theme Photos

✧ Benediction...*Becoming a Living Blessing*

How does this shared wisdom affect your Advent...your prayer?

✧ Our Response ...*Holy One, now we your servants go in peace. Your word lives on in us.*



Hear this service presented on Tippe Talk podcast, link on our website & Facebook.