

## **Advent service**

### **O come , Divine Messiah**

**Opening hymn:** O Come, Divine Messiah #310 CBW

**Leader:** Come Divine Messiah. Fill our hearts with joyful yearning for your presence in our lives. Give us deep desire for your gifts and graces that give us strength and courage to live according to your laws and love according to your wishes. Send your Spirit upon us during this Advent season, to guide us along your way. We ask this, through Jesus, your Son, whom you send that we may have abundant life.

**All:** Amen

**Reading:** Isaiah 40: 9

**Reflection:** After a moment of silence, sing the Refrain of “O Come, Divine Messiah”

#### **Prayer of Petition:**

**Side 1:** Lord, grant me the courage to proclaim the good news

**Side 11:** And not count the cost to my pride.

**Side 1:** Lord, let my voice be loud in your praise,

**Side 11:** And not be silenced by those who judge and criticise.

**Side 1:** Let me speak your name in public with quiet sureness

**Side 11:** And not allow “what will they think” rule me.

**Leader:** O God of Faith and Hope, be with us as we prepare to celebrate your Son’s birth. Enter our hearts, that we may praise you on mountain tops, in valleys and wherever our lives take us. Grant us the Peace of your Holy Spirit. We ask this through Jesus, your Son and our Lord.

**All:** Amen.

**Closing hymn:** O come Divine Messiah #310 CBW