



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF KINGWOOD

TODAY'S READINGS: *Isaiah 9:2, Ephes. 1, Rev. 22:1-13*

PREPARING TO RECEIVE THE WORD

Hymn #99: Angels We Have Heard on High

Song: Song of Hope (Heaven Come Down)

Prayer of Confession

All: Forgiving God, we come to you acknowledging that we are lost without you. So often we fix our eyes on the troubles of this world rather than on your eternal hope. As a result, we doubt you and your promises. Forgive us, Lord, for focusing only on what we can see. Empower us instead to trust you, walk by faith, and rest confidently in your grace. Help us to recognize your joy and presence in our daily lives.

Assurance of Pardon

L: God is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom.

P: He did this with the blood of his Son.

L: And he forgave our sins.

All: All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

RECEIVING THE WORD

God's Story for all God's Children

Hymn #72: Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Scripture Reading and Commentary: Looking

Rev. Chad Erb

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Moment of Reflection

Apostles' Creed

Responsive Reading and Words of Institution

Communion Anthem: Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Chancel Choir

Singing of The Lord's Prayer

SENDING OUT WITH THE WORD

Benediction

You go nowhere by accident.
As you go, God is sending you.
Wherever you go, God is with you there.
God has a purpose in your being there.
Christ lives in you and has something
He wants to do through you where you are.
So believe this and go in the grace and love
and power of Jesus Christ. Amen.