

CHRIST CANDLE LIGHTING

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The four Advent candles are lit before the service begins.

Kurt: The season for watching and waiting is over. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. This is the light of the world, and the darkness cannot extinguish it.

The Christ candle is lit.

Zoe: “O sing to the Lord a new song; Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of his salvation from day to day. “Declare his glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples” (Psalm 96:1-3).

Kurt: “Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; Bring an offering, and come into his courts. Worship the Lord in holy splendor; Tremble before him, all the earth” (Psalm 96:7-9).

ALL: “Say among the nations, ‘The Lord is King!’ Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice. He will judge the world with righteousness, And the peoples with his truth” (Psalm 96:10a, 11a, 13b).