Lighting the Advent Wreath

Leader: "Let neighbourly love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares." (Hebrews 13:1-2)

All: God's love for us is perfect. May we perfect our answering love by loving our neighbour.

The third Advent candle is lit.

All: This third candle represents love. Because of his love, all people are saved.

Leader: The Prince of Love be with you.

All: And also with you.

Sing Hymn #240, verse 3



"Love is the river of life in this world. Think not that ye know it who stand at the little tinkling rill, the first small fountain. Not until you have gone through the rocky gorges, and not lost the stream; not until you have gone through the meadow, and the stream has widened and deepened until fleets could ride upon its bosom; not until beyond the meadow you have come to the unfathomable ocean, and poured your treasures into its depths—not until then can you know what love is." — Henry Ward Beecher