

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
December 21, 2023
The Longest Night
“A Liturgy for the Weary”

Gathering Music

Welcome

Reading

Advent Candle Lighting

Carol #128 “In the Bleak Midwinter”

(vs. 1 & 4) (New Century Hymnal)

Scripture Psalm 121:1-8

Meditation

Written Prayer

Lighting of Candles of Memory and Hope

Solo “Holy Darkness”

Prayer of Gratitude

Carol #116 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

(vs. 1 & 7) (New Century Hymnal)

Blessing

Sending Music

Thank you for joining us. It is our sincere hope that all who gather in this place will know and experience the love, forgiveness, hope, and new life available through Jesus Christ.

Rev. Peter Ilgenfritz, Pastor

Music Director & Organist, Dorothy Morton

Soloist, Kristjar Nielson

We hope you can join us for dinner in the
Ladies Parlor

