

Prayer – Ignite Hope

Advent 1

Divine Light, who shines in the darkness,
this Advent season ignite hope in our lives and in our world –
in all the places where we are broken, hurting, and overwhelmed.

Things are a mess, God, and it is tempting to turn away
avert our eyes, avoid the truth.

It is in the midst of messiness that we light a candle,
acknowledging our grief and longing for hope
in the same breath.

We hold out for hope
that will outshine despair and desecration.

May our hope in your presence carry us through these days,
lighting our way. Amen.

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