

**REACH OUT IN CHRIST
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

DECEMBER 4, 2022 **10:00am**

Prelude "Jesu, Joy of Men's Desiring" Bach

Welcome

Hymn "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" #240

Call to Worship

Leader: Blessed Lord, who has caused all Scripture to be written for our learning;

People: Grant that we may hear them, read them, mark them, learn them, and inwardly digest them,

Leader: That by patience and comfort of your Holy Word, we may embrace and hold fast the hope of everlasting life,

People: Which you have given us in our Savior Jesus.

All: Amen.

Advent Reading and Candle Lighting United Methodist Men
Romans 15:4-6: 4 Whatever was written in the past was written for our instruction so that we could have hope through endurance and through the encouragement of the scriptures. 5 May the God of endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude toward each other, similar to Christ Jesus' attitude. 6 That way you can glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ together with one voice.

Offertory "What Child Is This" English
Sara Eaton, Vocalist

Doxology

A Time of Prayer (*Also share your concerns through FB Live comments.*)

Anthem "Christmas Communion Song" Callaway
Choir

Scripture Isaiah 11:1-10

11 A shoot will grow up from the stump of Jesse; a branch will sprout from his roots. ²The LORD's spirit will rest upon him, a spirit of wisdom and understanding, a spirit of planning and strength, a spirit of knowledge and fear of the LORD. ³He will delight in fearing the LORD. He won't judge by appearances, nor decide by hearsay. He will judge the needy with righteousness, and decide with equity for those who suffer in the land. He will strike the violent with the rod of his mouth; by the breath of his lips he will kill the wicked. ⁵Righteousness will be the belt around his hips, and faithfulness the belt around his waist. ⁶The wolf will live with the lamb, and the leopard will lie down with the young goat; the calf and the young lion will feed together, and a little child will lead them. ⁷The cow and the bear will graze. Their young will lie down together, and a lion will eat straw like an ox. ⁸A nursing child will play over the snake's hole; toddlers will reach right over the serpent's den. ⁹They won't harm or destroy anywhere on my holy mountain. The earth will surely be filled with the knowledge of the LORD, just as the water covers the sea. ¹⁰On that day, the root of Jesse will stand as a signal to the peoples. The nations will seek him out, and his dwelling will be glorious.

Sermon "Ecstasy" Pastor John

Communion

Hymn "O Little Town of Bethlehem" #230:1,2,4

Benediction

Alleluia

Postlude "In Thee Is Joy" Bach

CIRCLE OF PRAYER—Sandra Buck, Douglas Pike, Charlie Monroe, Brenda and Mike Smeby, Sergei Barth, Murphy Mullens, George Kranz, Lettie Witt, Terry Polen, Rod and Michelle Bailey, Jessica Strande, Cheryl Chmura, Susan Granner, Marv Hiuser, Rita Harned, Marilyn and Ron Lovell, Pastor John Griswold, James (friend of Ruth Dean), Bill Madity (brother of Diane Walsh), Howell family, Ginny Monroe, Joe McGinley, McKinley family, Rosemary Pignataro, Charlotte Perolio, Sherri Schmitz, Evelyn Sheppard and family, Linda Johnston, Volrie Olin, Anna and Hellwig Herber (Elke's mom and brother), Louis Kaduk, Starla Knox and family, Jeanne Summerford,.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH**—Unit meeting 12/6 at 1pm.

There will be a speaker from Metropolitan Ministries.

***CHRISTMAS CONCERT**—Thursday Musicales Choral Group performance 12/8, 2pm at FUMC.

***UNITED METHODIST MEN**—Volunteers are needed for the car parking fundraiser during the Holiday Parade in NPR on 12/10 at 4pm. No experience necessary. Please help since this is a great opportunity to raise funds for our church!

***HOLIDAY HAM LUNCHEON**—On 12/11 after worship in Henderson Hall. Organized by United Women in Faith.

***HOLIDAY BEREAVEMENT**—Support event 12/13 at 11am. All are invited by Alex Grimberg.

***CRAFT GROUP**—Meets Mondays 12:30-3pm. Please join us!

***BIBLE STUDY**—Please join us on Wednesdays at 10am. Materials are provided.

***POINSETTIAS**—Please fill out an order form before 12/18. You may dedicate your poinsettias to someone special.

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