

REACH OUT IN CHRIST  
2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**DECEMBER 10th, 2023** **10:00am**

Prelude "A Medley of French Carols"

Lighting of Advent Candles Julie Calafiura & Suzie Russel

**"John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins." (Mark 1:4)**

Leader: We light this candle as a symbol of Christ the Way. May the Word sent from God through the prophets lead us to the way of salvation.

**People: O come, O come, Emmanuel.**

Introit Choir

Hymn "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" #211:1-3

Call to Worship

Leader: The prophet Isaiah declared that justice and peace shall come through the family of Jesse.

**People: This justice shall be for all of creation.**

L: Peace shall be established in all the world.

**P: Get ready! Prepare for God's peace to reign!**

L: Blessed be God who does such wondrous things!

**P: We give thanks to God for this time of healing and hope.  
AMEN.**

Children's Message Pastor Lee

Receiving of Offering  
*(You may use this QR code to make online offerings)*



Offertory "Gesù bambino" Pietro Yon  
Ruthie Nelson, Vocalist – Matt Rothfarb, Cello

Doxology #95

A Time of Prayer Pastor Lee  
*(Also share your concerns through YouTube Live comments.)*

**Response: "Hear our prayer, O God"**

The Lord's Prayer  
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Anthem "Where You in Bethlehem" Schram  
Choir

Scripture: Luke 2:25-33

Sermon "Advent(2) Waiting" Pastor Lee

Hymn "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" #213:1-3

Benediction

Alleluia

Postlude "The Birthday of a King" Neidlinger

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**CIRCLE OF PRAYER**—Sandra Buck, Charlie Monroe, Brenda and Mike Smeby, Lettie Witt, Rod and Michelle Bailey, Rita Harned, Starla Knox, Tom Miller, Ramona Vaughn, Susan (Kay Cooper's friend), Ainsworth Brown, Joann & Tony Bolt, June Cain, Pat McDowell, Joan Klingensmith, Kathi Belcher.

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### **WEEKLY REPORT**

\*Worship attendance December 3, 2023: 91 people.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\***CHRISTMAS ANGELS**—Be an angel by donating Christmas gifts for 20 students in need from Richey Elementary School. You can sign up directly with Jean Ann Lewis in the Narthex.

Deadline 12/10.

\***CHILDREN'S CLASSROOM OPEN HOUSE**—12/10(Sun) right after worship service.

\***LONGEST NIGHT CELEBRATION**—12/13(Wed) 4:30pm at the FUMC shelter. This is a time to honor the family and friends of local homeless who have passed away this year.

\***CHOIR**—Cantata Rehearsal, 12/13(Wed) at 6pm.

\***REBEKAH CIRCLE**—Meets 12/14(Thu) at 1pm.

\***CHRISTMAS CANTATA & LUNCHEON**

**FELLOWSHIP**—12/17(Sun) at 10am. Come and join us for Christmas hymns, carols, and a bountiful luncheon fellowship. If you can, please bring a dish. Vegetables=last name A-H, salad=last name I-R, dessert=last name S-Z. Meat/beverages will be provided.

\***BAPTISM**—during worship service 12/24 (Sun).

Sign up in the narthex or online via QR code. Deadline is 12/10(Sun).



\***CRAFT GROUP**—Meets Mondays 12:30-3pm.

\***LOVE OFFERING FOR LAY STAFF**—Please drop your offering in the Christmas collection box in the Narthex. Deadline is 12/10(Sun).

\***PLEDGE CARDS**—For your 2024 Giving are still available to pick up in the Narthex and give during Offering.

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