

REACH OUT IN CHRIST
1st Sunday of Advent

November 30th, 2025

10:00am

PRELUDE

WELCOME

HYMN “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” #196

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: People of God, the season of watching and waiting has begun. In the quiet of this morning, we turn our hearts toward the One who draws near.

People: We lift our eyes with hope, for light is rising even where shadows remain. We come seeking renewal, longing for a straight path in our lives.

Leader: Let us awaken our spirits to God’s presence. Let us prepare room within our hearts for the One who is coming.

People: We set aside all that distracts us, and we open ourselves to grace. We wait with expectation, trusting that God will finish what God has begun.

Leader: Come, let us worship with alert minds and praying hearts. For the Holy One is approaching, reshaping our lives with mercy.

People: We worship with hope, we watch with readiness, and we prepare the way in our hearts for Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Pastor Lee

OFFERTORY

RECEIVING OF OFFERING

(You may use this QR code to make online offerings)



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

Choir

“A Thrill of Hope” (Raney)

SCRIPTURE READING

Pastor Lee

“Luke 21:25–36” ESV

SERMON

Rev. Brian Carr

“Advent(1) Be Awake in Prayer”

HYMN “Soon and Very Soon”

#706:1,2,3

BENEDICTION

ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE

CIRCLE OF PRAYER—Starla Knox, Ainsworth Brown, George Kranz, Karen McGinley, Marcia and Ralph Watt, Susan Barkman, Suzane Abbott, Rita Harned, Lettie Witt, Jean Ann Lewis, Carla Kranz, Pat McDowell.

WEEKLY REPORT

*Worship attendance 11/23/2025: 73 people.
*Giving 11/23/2025: General Fund \$2643, Thanksgiving \$175, Pack-a-Sack \$50, Food Pantry \$10300, Communion \$20, Craft Group \$20, Total \$13208.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ***GUEST PREACHER**—Today, we warmly welcome Rev. Brian Carr from Residing Hope!
- ***ANGEL TREE**—Please pick a child to sponsor from the Angel Tree that our UWF set up in the narthex. Help make a child's Christmas special and spread God's love!
- ***RESIDING HOPE GIFT CARDS**—If you wish to donate gift cards, please bring them to church or to the office by 12/1. To make processing easier, please write the amount on the card and include the gift card receipt.
- ***HYGIENE ITEMS/SWEATER COLLECTION**—UWF will set up a table in Food Pantry in December to hand out items to the needy. Please drop off donations in the narthex or in the office.
- ***CRAFT GROUP**—Mondays 12:30pm-3pm.
- ***TAI CHI CLASS**—Tuesdays 10am.
- ***BIBLE STUDY**—Wednesdays 10am.
- ***PRAYER GATHERING**—Wednesdays 11:30am.

Events leading up to Christmas

December 14 - Faith Market and Holiday Luncheon
December 15 - Last day to order Poinsettias
December 18 - Longest Night Memorial
December 21, 10am - Cantata
December 24, 6pm - Candlelight Service

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