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**NOVEMBER 29, 2020**

**10:00 A. M.**

LIVE AND LOVE SO THAT OTHERS WANT TO BE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 29, 2020

10:00 a.m.

## *First Sunday of Advent: Hope*

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### GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE IN PRAISE

#### TOLLING OF THE CHIMES

*The chimes call us to quiet and to prepare for worship. Reflect during the prelude about what a difference Jesus has made in your world.*

#### GREETING

*Welcome to the WUMC live stream!*

*We are glad you've joined us digitally. Please take a moment to register your attendance with the form on the left side of page. If you're watching us on Facebook, please "like" the video so we know you're here.*

#### CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

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#### WORSHIP RESOURCES

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#### PRELUDE

"Nun Komm der Heiden Heilan"

Bach

#### CALL TO WORSHIP \*\*

L: Advent is a time to be filled with anticipation and hope.

**P: We wait and hope for the One who will bring light to the darkness.**

L: Advent is a time to remember that God's love extends to all people.

**P: We wait and hope for the One who will bring justice.**

L: Advent is a time to renew our determination.

**P: We wait and hope for the One who will bring righteousness.**

L: Advent is a time to strive for understanding.

**P: We wait and hope for the One who will bring peace.**

#### THE LIGHT ENTERS OUR WORSHIP

#### HYMN

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"  
(vs 1-3)

211, UMH

#### OPENING PRAYER (in unison) \*\*

**Gracious God, we thank you for the promise of the scripture**

that through Christ, we have hope.  
Forgive our lack of faith and restore in our hearts  
the assurance that your love can conquer the tyranny  
of injustice in a broken world.  
We pray today that you would strengthen our faith  
in your mercy and righteousness so we can live in hope  
every day of our lives. Amen.

### **LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE \*\*\***

**SCRIPTURE READING**                      Isaiah 60:2-3    p. 649, OT

Today we light the **first** candle - the candle of hope. The light of this candle reminds us that hope begins with a spark that at first seems small and insignificant, but in time grows into a brilliant flame, a flame that quickly spreads, filling the darkness with light and bringing a renewed sense of hope to a world filled with doubt and fear.

**A TIME WITH CHILDREN**    *Rev. Don Lefelar*

### **HEARING & PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**                      1 Corinthians 1:3-9    p. 155, NT

**HYMN**                      "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"    196, UMH

**GOSPEL LESSON**                      Mark 13:24-37    p. 47-8, NT

**SERMON**                      "A Message of Hope"    *Rev. Mollie Brown*

### **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

#### **COMMUNITY TIME**

#### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**    895, UMH

**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.**

#### **WORSHIPING WITH OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”  
(vs 1-2)

UMH, 626

**DOXOLOGY**

94, UMH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

## **SENDING FORTH**

**HYMN**

“Lead Me, Lord”  
(sing 2x)

473, UMH

**THE LIGHT LEADS US INTO SERVICE**

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

“Es ist ein Ros’ entsprungen”

Brahms

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UMH: *United Methodist Hymnal*

FWS: *The Faith We Sing*

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✠ **In Our Service Today:**

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**Directory of Music & Youth Ministries:** Christopher Neely

**Organist:** Anna Judkins