

BE PART OF OUR SCREEN TEAM

Are you familiar with an iPad or iPhone? Can you follow along with a worship service and tap a screen at the same time? Have we got an opportunity for you! We need folks to be part of our Screen Team, operating the Sunday morning worship screen presentation. Ideally, we would love to have enough people that could serve for one hour, one Sunday a month (8-10 people, with each person choosing either the early or later service). Contact Bob Gentzler at regentzler2@gmail.com if you would like to serve.

YEAR-END GIVING

Prayerfully consider fulfilling your 2023 stewardship goals, and then consider a special year-end gift to help us finish the year strong. Any gift given in the offering plates through Sunday, December 31 or postmarked by December 31 will be accounted for as a 2023 gift. Please note on your check or envelope if any year-end gifts are to be considered as a pre-pay against your 2024 pledge or giving. If you are giving a gift from an IRA, brokerage account, or bank check, please notify the church to ensure we can properly credit your account. Questions or information about any gifts should be directed to our Financial Administrator Paula Refice at 843.785.4711 or email to paularhhiuac@gmail.com. Thank you for your faithfulness and gifts in the name of our Savior.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. ANDREW

Director of Family Ministries - As part of the St. Andrew staff, the Director of Family Ministries will work full-time, developing ministry for children (grades 5 and below) and youth (grades 6-12) to carry out ministry to, with, and by young people at St. Andrew. An ideal candidate would be well-acquainted with United Methodist theology and practice. Salary range: \$50,000--\$60,000/year

Audio/Visual Coordinator - This staff position will oversee our Sunday worship live-streaming and screen presentation on a weekly basis. Duties primarily include coordinating online streaming and in-person audio/visual presentation on Sunday mornings assisted by a volunteer team, and producing screen content in coordination with worship staff (can be done remotely). Professional training and tutorials on our presentation software will be provided. Rate of pay is \$20 - \$40 per hour based on experience for up to 10 hours per week year-round.

OUR PURPOSE

To grow a welcoming community where people of all ages and stages on their faith journey can come to experience the love, grace and compassion of Jesus Christ. Provide various worship and other spiritual growth opportunities communicating the Gospel to inspire and encourage a deeper understanding of God while developing relationships with each other, leading to service locally and beyond.

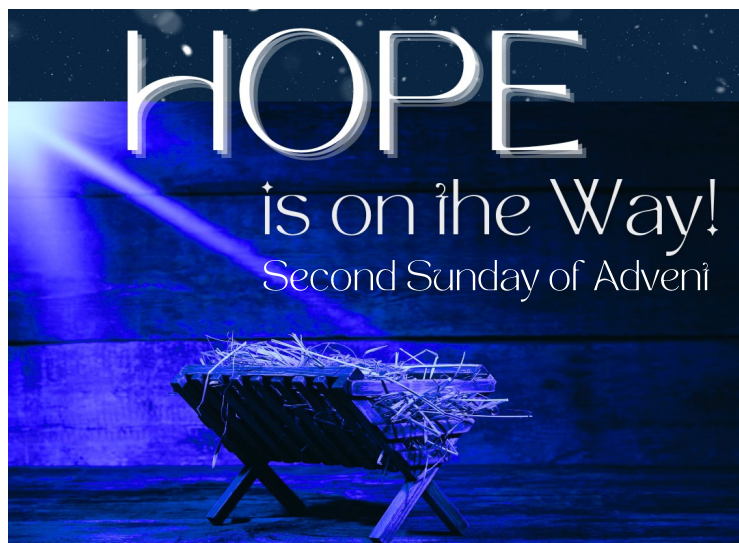
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The Work of the People for December 10, 2023

The liturgical color is blue, symbolizing the color of the sky before the breaking of the dawn

GATHERING FOR PRAISE

PRELUDE *Song of Hope* I. Grichetchkine

RINGING OF THE TRINITY CHIMES

***HYMN OF PRAISE - UMH #211** VENI EMMANUEL
O Come, O Come Emmanuel (v 1,3-4)

***A READING FROM THE PROPHET** Edward Tompkins
Zephaniah 3:14-17

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSIONS MOMENT - Connection Care Team

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

David Pirkey, George and Gloria Powell, Debera Loesser
(congregational response)

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence our gifts, and our service, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

ANTHEM *O Come, Little Children* arr. D. Wagner
Kerry Tilden and Linda Jennings, bells

HEARING GOD'S WORD

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Candy Kleffman
All children and young people are invited to come forward to the Advent candle at this time Kerry Tilden

ADVENT CANDLE RESPONSIVE READING

Rejoice! Shout! Exult with all your heart!

We wait for you again, Lord Jesus.

The Lord is in our midst, we do not have to fear!

We wait for you again, Lord Jesus.

God will create calm with his love,
will rejoice in us with singing.

We wait for you again, Lord Jesus.

As we wait, we light two candles today, the candles of HOPE and LOVE, two little lights to knock holes in the darkness.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot put it out! Amen

ADVENT CANDLE SONG - TFWS #2090 ADVENT CANDLE SONG
(verse 2)

***SCRIPTURE READING** 1 John 4:7-12 Bob Williams

***CHRISTMAS HYMN SING**

UMH #250 Once in Royal David's City (v 1-2)

UMH #242 Love Came Down at Christmas

Children grade 3 and under are invited to Children's Chapel at this time, returning to the service after the sermon. Meet leaders in the Narthex.

SERMON Rev. Frank Lybrand
Hope is on the Way! series
'Hope for Love

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Jonathan Tompkins
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY A Quiet Christmas arr. D. Wagner
We acknowledge with gratitude all who give in-person and online

***DOXOLOGY** VENI EMMANUEL

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel

GOING FORTH TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

PRAYER QUILT DEDICATIONS

***HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP**

(sung to the tune of While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night)

The Source of Hope

The source of hope is in the Word a timeless testament
The prophets speak 'til all have heard
the love that God has sent.

Redeeming grace reveals God's care and magnifies the Lord
Inviting people to prepare to welcome Christ the Lord

A revolution is begun not just in heav'n above
The world is changed and justice won as God embodies love

Relationships priorities will soon be realigned
And we'll discover that God see what's good for humankind

The wonder of this holy birth can move an aching heart
Reclaim once more your sacred worth
Give love a place to start

***SENDING FORTH** (sung to the tune of Away in a Manger)

Awaken Us, God (Love)

The day of our hearts is near dawning at last
We wake to the light which the morning stars cast
For all whom we meet shine with light from above
Shine bright with the light of Emmanuel's love

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***POSTLUDE** Emmanuel, Emmanuel B. McGee

**Please stand as you are able*

Acolytes: Tripp and Kaitlyn Nicol



ILL OR CONVALESCING

Joyce Flowers, Claire Wheeler, Kendall Brodie, Jane Giddings, Will and Cheri Jobbins

STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

Weekly December Budget needed	\$18,400	Date	In-Person Worship	Online Worship
Weekly December Giving to Budget	\$7,677	12.03	228	312
December Special Gifts (designated)	\$600	THANK YOU!		



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PRAYER QUILT DEDICATIONS

A Prayer Quilt dedicated today is for Denise Schulz who is undergoing chemotherapy following an early-stage cancer diagnosis. May God be an ever-present source of strength for Denise and her husband, Carl, as together they face the challenges ahead. We ask that the Schulz family be encouraged and reassured by the love bestowed upon them and by the care and wisdom of their medical team. This Prayer Quilt was requested by life-long friends, Janis and Marc Agnew.

The second Prayer Quilt dedicated today is for Danny Livov who recently underwent complex surgery. The findings were unexpected, and follow-up treatment is yet to be finalized. We pray that God's loving arms surround and comfort Danny and his wife, Laura, during this time of heightened physical and emotional angst. We ask that this quilt be a symbol of our caring and concern. This quilt was requested by Marcia and Mike Muzinich.

TWO-SERVICE SCHEDULE RESUMES

Sunday, January 7, 2024, Epiphany Sunday

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship
- 10:00 am Sunday Classes for Adults and Kids
- 11:09 am Modern Worship

Join us as we begin the new year welcoming the Wise Men, lighting the Epiphany candles, and beginning a new series, 'The B.I.B.L.E.: Making Sense of our Sacred Scripture.' For more info about our new modern service, see our YouTube page for the 'Why? What? and When?' videos.



FISHING GUIDE

Sunday, December 10, 2023

Hope is on the Way series

'Hope for Love'

Scripture: 1 John 4:7-12 (MSG)

7-10 My beloved friends, let us continue to love each other since love comes from God. Everyone who loves is born of God and experiences a relationship with God. The person who refuses to love doesn't know the first thing about God, because God is love—so you can't know him if you don't love. This is how God showed his love for us: God sent his only Son into the world so we might live through him. This is the kind of love we are talking about—not that we once upon a time loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to clear away our sins and the damage they've done to our relationship with God.

11-12 My dear, dear friends, if God loved us like this, we certainly ought to love each other. No one has seen God, ever. But if we love one another, God dwells deeply within us, and his love becomes complete in us—perfect love!

*In the Word was life,
and the life was the light for all people.*

Navigational Markers (thoughts and ideas to guide you)

Depth Finder

(adapted from *The Voices of Christmas* Advent Devotional, Wk 2)

You may wish to review the stories of the following characters from this sermon:

Zechariah (Luke 1:13,18-20 NIV), Mary (Luke 2:1-7 MSG), Joseph (Matthew 1:24 MSG), Shepherds (Luke 2:13-18 MSG), Herod (Matthew 2:16-18 NIV)

If love is the greatest gift we can receive and give, how can you share the gift of love rather than a physical gift this year?

In these days of Advent, how can you take the opportunity to reflect and ponder in quietness like Zechariah?

What opportunities have been presented to you that caused you to experience an overwhelming sense of love like Mary and Joseph?

Unlike Herod, how might you choose to take an opportunity to have a positive impact on our community this Christmas?

Prayer as We Put Out to Sea

*Love came down at Christmas, Love all Lovely, Love Divine
Love was born at Christmas, stars and angels gave the sign.*

*Worship we the Godhead, Love incarnate, Love Divine
Worship we our Jesus, but wherewith for sacred sign?*

*Love shall be our token, love be yours and love be mine
Love to God and neighbor, love for plea and gift and sign.*

('Love Came Down at Christmas' from the UM Hymnal #242)

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