

*Please rise if comfortably able

Prelude

Welcoming and Announcements

Pastor Sharon Kichline

Lighting the Third Candle of Advent, the Candle of Hope

Andrews/Christenson Family (Cindy, Caroline, and Margaret)

Advent Prayer

Lord God, help us not to be so focused on finding perfection in this season

that we miss out on the hope that only you can bring to us. Amen.

Centering

*Welcoming the Light of Christ with Song

Call to Worship (Isaiah 35)

One:	In the midst of the barren land,
Many:	flowers burst into bloom.
One:	In the midst of the dry desert,
Many:	streams of water gush forth.
One:	In the midst of sorrow and sighing,
Many:	joy and gladness dance together.
All:	We shall see the glory of God!

Opening Prayer (Isaiah 35)

God of Glory, we rejoice in the good news of your promises. Come into our parched world and shower us with your gushing, abundant water of life. Enter into our brokenness and renew us with the strength of your love. Be born anew in our hearts and in our world. Come, Jesus; come. We are ready! Amen!

In Unison

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*Passing the Peace of Christ Among Us You are invited to greet your neighbors with a wave and a smile. ©

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Collection of Our Tithes and Offerings	
*Doxology and Blessing our Offerings	Pastor Josh Krakos
Prayers of the People	
Invitation to Imagine March to the Manger	Pastor Sharon
Journey of the Angel	Luke 2:9-14
"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"	UMH 240
Journey of the Holy Family	Luke 2:1-7
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (Verses 1 and 4)	
Journey of the Shepherds "O Come All Ye Faithful" (Verses 1 and 4)	Luke 2:8, 15-18 UMH 234
Journey of the Wise Men "We Three Kings"	Matthew 2:1-2, 7-11 UMH 254
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How wonderful to have you in worship with us today!

We invite you to return next Sunday for a Traditional Celebration with Music and to join us on Christmas Eve at our 4:00 pm and 7:30 pm Worship Services!