

Seminary United Methodist Church

December 23, 2018 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

Opening

Brooke Branyan

Welcome & Greeting

Song of Praise

“Emmanuel”

Bring the Light of Christ into the Sanctuary Call to Worship – Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Candle of Love – Tom, Jenny, Grace, Jeff,
Tyler & Matthew Gross

Opening Prayer

“Advent”

Unison

Merciful God, You sent Your messengers, the prophets, to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation. Give us grace to hear their warnings and forsake our sins that we may truly celebrate the Nativity of our Lord Jesus. May we also wait with joy the return in glory of Jesus Christ our Redeemer Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen

Worship through Giving

Doxology *“Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.”*

First Reading of the Gospel

Luke 2: 1-7

Landon Perkins

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: *May we be doers of God’s Word not just hear it.*

Pastoral Prayer with 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.

Second Reading of the Gospel

Luke 2: 8-20

Tyler Gross

Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

People: *May we follow Jesus with all we have and all we are!*

“The Journey” – Children’s Christmas Program

Join our kids as they present a program where two spoiled modern kids who are dragged to church by their single mom where they encounter the love of Jesus in the ancient journey of Mary and Joseph. Please sing with the children during the carols. Polly Carroll is the director. Bulletin insert has names and parts. Costumes made and donated by member and friends of the congregation.

Songs included in program: Jingle Bells (vs. 1 & 2) ; Joy to the World (vs. 1); Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” (vs. 1) and “Silent Night” (vs. 1-4).

Brief Reflection -- Pastor Josh Johnson

Closing Hymn

“O Come All Ye Faithful”

UMH #234 (vs. 1-4)

Spoken Benediction

“Be people of love. Let love live in your heart and share the hope of Christ with all you meet. Share the love of Jesus in all you do and with all you are. In this Advent season, live the hope of the Good News of great joy for all people. Go in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.”

Song of Dismissal

“Emmanuel, Emmanuel”

UMH#204

Carrying the Light of Christ into God’s World

**if you are able please stand*

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

Advent prayer is from the Book of Common Prayer (modified and public domain)



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We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us today. We hope this time of worship draws you closer to God. Please sign in the attendance notepads when passed so we can get acquainted with you. Thank you. Please join us for a time of refreshments and conversation following the service in the Wesley Gathering Room.

Thank you to all who serve today!

Ushers: Doug Tellas, Tom Gross, Mike Polzin, Marv Hathaway

Lay Leader: Brooke Branyan

Pianist/Organist: Polly Carroll

Scripture Reader: Landon Perkins and Tyler Gross

Acolytes: Timmy and William Johnson

Nursery Worker: Trish Shaefer

Greeter: Shirley Wolf

Coffee Hour Host: Janet Tellas and Brooke Branyan

Sound & Video: Justin Beihold, Gary Beihold and Steve Eisenhut

Reminders for Next Week, December 30, 2018

Ushers: Doug Tellas, Tom Gross, Mike Polzin, Marv Hathaway

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Acolytes:

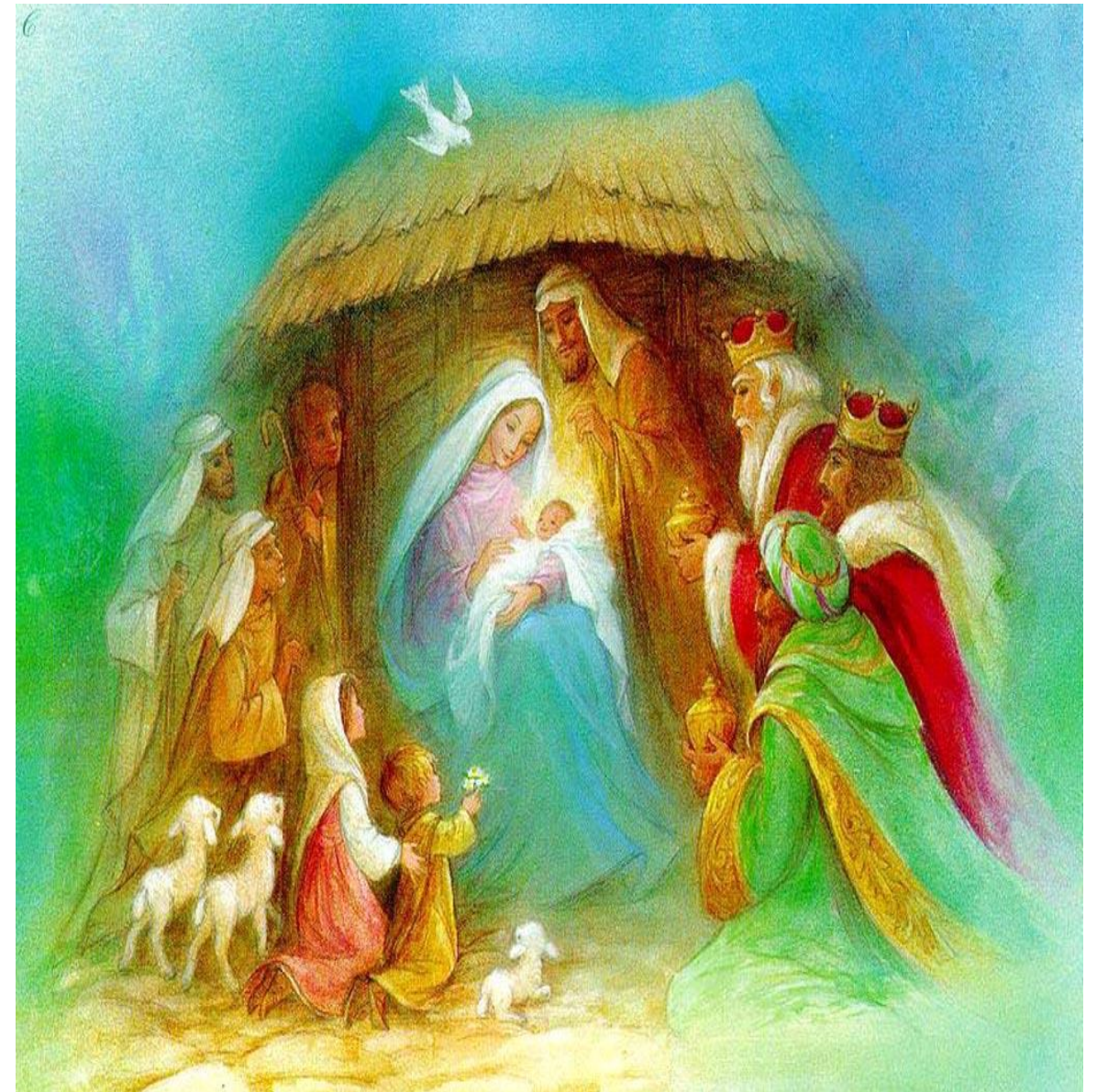
Nursery Worker:

Children's Church Teacher:

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