

EARLY WORSHIP

9:00 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Centering Music

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

The First Noel arr. Alex Wilson

† The Gathering Hymn UMH 179

O Sing a Song of Bethlehem KINGSFOLD

† Lighting of the Advent Wreath

† Musical Response

While We Are Waiting, Come  
While we are waiting, come; while we are waiting, come.  
Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting, come

With power and glory, come; with power and glory, come.  
Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting, come

Come, Savior, quickly come; come, Savior, quickly come.  
Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting, come

Pastoral Prayer

Children’s Message Courtney Kraus

Offertory Anthem

Love Is All Our Joy Malcom Archer

† The Doxology (Sung to the tune of Veni Emmanuel)

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

Prayer for Illumination

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your  
light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in  
your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, Amen.

The First Reading Malachi 3:1-4

The Second Reading Philippians 1:3-11

† The Gospel Lesson Luke 3:1-6

The Message “Prepare the Way” Pastor Charles

† Hymn of Sending Forth UMH 206

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light HOUSTON

† Benediction and Sending Forth

† Postlude

From Heaven to Earth I Come Johann Pachebel

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, December 8

9:00 AM Early Service  
10:00 AM First Friends  
10:00 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Traditional Service  
12:00 PM Live Nativity  
Dress Rehearsal  
6:00 PM Live Nativity

Monday, December 9

9:30 AM Line Dancing  
10:30 AM Devotional Beach Walk  
4:00 PM Chamber Choir

Tuesday, December 10

10:00 AM Church Staff Meeting  
6:00 PM Disciple III Class

Wednesday, December 11

10:00 AM MLBS  
10:00 AM Crafty Ladies  
In the Fellowship Hall  
5:00 PM Music Ministry  
Christmas Party

Thursday, December 12

6:00 PM United Women of Faith  
Christmas Party

Our Commitment In Action

Sunday, December 1

9:00 Early Worship 62  
11:00 Traditional 93  
Worship TOTAL 165

Our Gifts As Of Sunday November 24:

Annual Budget: \$683,892.00  
Required each week: \$13,151.77  
Received YTD: \$590,449.88  
Required YTD: \$644,436.69

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