

SENDING FORTH

*SENDING HYMN

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

UMH #206

*BENEDICTION: (Psalm 100)

Leader: Leave this place with thankful hearts.

People: We will make a joyful noise to our God.

Leader: Bring shouts and laughter to the world.

People: We will sparkle with our eyes on God.

Leader: Proclaim the tender mercies of our God.

People: We will share the good news with all.

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand in body or spirit

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1st Sunday in Advent- Hope Holy Communion

CHILDREN'S TIME

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please register your attendance on the pew cards.
Stand and greet one another in Christian Love.

PRELUDE

ADVENT READING

"Light the Advent Candle," Stanza 1

Bruns Family
TFWS #2090

OPENING HYMN: "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" UMH #196

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Now is the time of watching and waiting.

People: Now is the time of pregnant expectation of new life.

Leader: The candle of hope has been lit.

People: Let us worship in the light of God's grace.

*OPENING PRAYER (unison)

God of hope, we come before you full of expectation for what lies ahead. We are excited about the birth of Christ, but we know there is much to do before this baby arrives. The house needs to be prepared- a house in our hearts, where your grace may enter. A people needs to pray- a people longing for peace, that reconciliation may take hold in our world. A light needs to be turned on- a light of holy love, that we may reflect your glory. God of new life, prepare our hearts and lives, that we may wait with joy and hope for the birth of your Son. Amen.

*APOSTLE'S CREED

UMH #881

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE

Prayer for Illumination:

Let the words of our mouths, and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord our Rock and our Redeemer.

Lessons: Isaiah 7:10-14, Luke 2:1-5, Matthew 1:18-25

*GLORIA PATRI

UMH #70

SERMON

"Joseph's Commitment"

Rev. Krystal Goodger

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

UMH #230

OFFERING

*Doxology

UMH #95

*Offertory Prayer: (unison)

Gracious God, what can we return to you? You have provided abundance for us at every turn, and what we offer today seems so meager. Many of us are already caught in the web of gift-giving and gift-getting. Remind us that it is you alone who gives the true gifts as we begin a new year in Christ. Thank you for the privilege of giving to your kingdom. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Pastoral Prayer

HOLY COMMUNION

Lord's Prayer

UMH #895