WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Prelude Greeting Introit Video Announcements Welcome



Call to Worship/Lighting of the First Advent Candle of HOPE

*Opening Hymn #196

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou are; Dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King, Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone; By thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

*Opening Prayer Mary Margaret Rowe

God of the ages, in scripture we hear stories of people like us— ordinary people, people who longed to know you, people who longed to follow you, people who made mistakes, people who tried to grow— old, young, native, immigrant, new to the faith, lifelong believer. In scripture we hear stories of people like us, so just as you walked with them, help us to hear and remember all the ways that you walk with us. We are listening. We are grateful. We are yours. Amen.

*Sharing the Peace of Christ #2066

"Praise the Name of Jesus"

Praise the name of Jesus, Praise the name of Jesus.

He's my Rock, he's my Fortress, he's my deliverer, in him will I trust.

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*Please stand as you are able

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WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time Dart Rhoades
Music to Lift Our Spirits

Scripture: Isaiah 2:1-5 and Matthew 1:1-17 Mary Margaret Rowe Message: From Generation Generation Rev. Lori Leopold

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

Song of Prayer #2063

"You Are Worthy"

You are Worthy, God Almighty, Praise and Honor to you belong. You are Worthy, God Almighty, Praise and Honor to you belong.

God all Glorious, all victorious, Praise and honor are yours alone. God all Glorious, all victorious, Praise and honor are yours alone.

Prayers of the People

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.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

Gladly we praise you and bless you, Creator, O God of life. Christ, we adore you and thank you, Compassion of God, our light. Great Holy Spirit, by you we are born from above. Alleluia! Praise the God of blessing! Alleluia! Bless the God of love!

*Please stand as you are able

*Prayer of Dedication

Mary Margaret Rowe

God of peace and justice, in the past year we have once again witnessed the fruits of war: lives cut short, children made orphans, homes devastated, and hearts broken. We pray to see the day that Isaiah saw in his heart, when swords are pounded into plowshares. These gifts we give this morning, may they be used to make human hearts ready for peace and for the reign of your son. In his holy name, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn #364

"Because He Lives" Vs 1

God sent his Son, they called him Jesus; He came to love, heal, and forgive: He lived and died to buy my pardon, An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

Refrain: sing twice
Because he lives, I can face tomorrow;
Because he lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know he holds the future,
And life is worth the living just because he lives.

*Benediction: Please join together as a congregation

As you leave this place, may you go knowing that from generation to generation, we have been claimed and loved. From generation to generation, God has been by our side. From generation to generation, we are not alone. The God of yesterday and the God of tomorrow knows you by name, loves you, and calls you forth, saying, "Go be the person you are called to be, love wildly, do justice, and come back soon." May it be so. Amen.

*Eagle's Wings

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of God's hand.



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November Memory Verse: He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Psalm 23:3