

Order of Celebration

December 2, 2018 ♦ 10:30 AM
First Sunday of Advent

GATHERING

Gathering Music

Sharing the Life of the Church

Please complete the Communication Card and place it in the offering plate. If you have a prayer request, fill out a prayer card that will be collected during the first song.

Centering Music and Service of Lights

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Candle of HOPE

*Call to Worship

Leader: A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God."

All: As we worship today, let us prepare to welcome God's dramatic work in our midst, in our hearts, in our community, and in all of creation. Let us worship God.

*Song: Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus UMH 196

**Passing the Peace*

Please greet one another with the words "Peace be with you".

Children's Message

Song for the Children: "Go Now in Peace" UMH 665
Children ages 3-5th grade are dismissed to Fellowship Hall for "Kids Rock"

THE WORD

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 64: 1 - 9 pg 911

Song O Come, O Come, Emmanuel UMH 211
Verses 1 through 4

Epistle Lesson I Thessalonians 3: 9 - 13 pg 1439

Message God's Gifts Give us Comfort & Hope

OUR RESPONSE

Prayers of the People

Offering Invitation

We share our gifts with God as a sign of our love and commitment.

Offertory Music

*Doxology UMH 95

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Dedication Prayer

O Mighty One, you have done and are doing great things for us, and holy is your name. Bless all we offer you that through us your grace and favor may be made known to all the world. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Please join in the communion liturgy as printed in the United Methodist Hymnal on pages 13 - 14. We will begin with "THE GREAT THANKSGIVING". Please join in responses that are in **bold print**.*

WE ARE SENT FORTH

*Song Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates UMH 213

Taking the Light to the World

Benediction

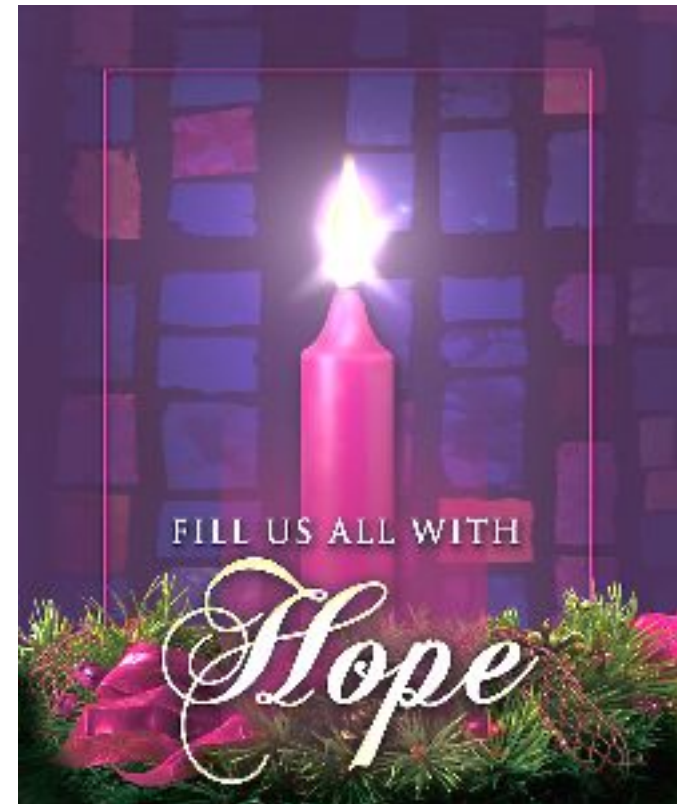
Pastor: Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall have hope."

All: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Postlude

Please Join us for Coffee and Conversation in Fellowship Hall

*Please stand as you feel comfortable



Advent and Christmas Good Shepherd UMC

Advent Book Study with Jean Mackey
Thursdays Nov. 29 thru December 20
at 5:30 pm

Spaghetti Dinner
Friday, December 7
5-7:00 pm

Dearborn Community Food Pantry
Saturday, December 15
9-11am

Ford Motor Co. Chorus Concert
Home for Christmas
Sunday, December 16
3:00 pm at Good Shepherd

Joy Ride Packaging
December 23
After service, 11:45 am

Christmas Eve Service
with candles & communion
Monday, December 24th
7:00 pm

Joy Ride
Deliver on Christmas Eve or
Christmas Day

Fifth Sunday Clothing Drive
for Brightmoor
Sunday, December 30

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