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Worship Bulletin of the United Methodist Church of Vista

November 28, 2021 10:00 a.m. 1st Sunday of Advent

Please be aware: For best conservation and stewardship practice, the worship bulletin will not be printed from the office. The order of Worship and weekly information will be on the screens, and continue to be emailed for your use.

Gathering

Gathering Music

“Christmastime is Here”

Words: Lee Mendelson

Music: Vince Guaraldi

Praise Band

Pastoral Welcome with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Advent Candle Lighting tune

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel” UMH 211, Vs. 1 & 2

Words 9th Century Latin

Music 15th Century French

Praise Band

Advent Candle Lighting with the Mitchell Family

Watch and wait for Christ’s coming! Light candles of hope, peace, joy and love, remembering the promises of God with prayer.

We light this candle in hope. (*Light the first candle*)

The prophet Isaiah wrote, “In days to come the mountain of the Lord’s house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, ‘Come, let us go up the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that God may teach us their ways and that we may walk in their paths.’”

Faithful God, out of war’s chaos, you bring the order of peace. Renew us in hope, that we may work toward Christ’s advent of peace among all nations. God of promise, God of hope, into our darkness come.

Song of Welcome

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” UMH 196, Vs. 1 & 2

Words: Charles Wesley, 1744

Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1830

Adam Ferrara, Organ

***Children’s Time** (and released to Sunday School) with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw



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Sharing the Word

Scripture with Kathy Johnson

Isaiah 2:1-5 and Matthew 24:36-44 (NRSV)

Proclamation of the Word

Word of God, for the people of God.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Message

HOPE

Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Song of the Word

“We Gather Together”

Words: *Nederlandsch Gedenckclank*, 1626 trans. Theodore Baker, 1894

Music: Arr Edward Kremser, 1877

Adam Ferrara, Organ

Pastoral Prayer with Lord’s Prayer with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

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.

Response to the Word

Special Music

Praise Band

***Call to Offering and Action:** Casa de Amparo with Kathy Johnson

Invitation and Dedication: Prayer

O God, plentiful in love and mercy, we greet you with our worship and praise. We offer hymns of joy and thanksgiving. We offer our time and talents. We now pause to offer to you our coins which we pray will be used in your service and for your glory. In the name of Jesus Christ, the one who was rich but for our sakes became poor. Amen.

***Communion and Prayer of Great Thanksgiving**



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Commissioned into the World

Song of Sending

“There’s a Song in the Air” UMH 249

Words: Josiah G. Holland, 1874

Music: Karl P. Harrington, 1904

Praise Band

Benediction with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Postlude

Praise Band

****Please wait to leave until the pastors have recessed.**

Please keep the aisles clear for safety and fire code enforcement. Wheelchair seating is available; please speak to an usher.

Reminder: Please turn off the sound on your cell phone during worship so that others can enjoy and stay focused on worship. Thank you.

Partners in Ministry: Pastor, Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw and Associate Pastor of Music and Visitation, Rev. Frank Hallock



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Music Acknowledgements

Praise Band: Greg Rye, Roy Good, Jimmy Patton, Adam Ferrara, Heather Clarke, Barbara Mitchell, Beth B. Hallock and Jan Simpson with guest Mark Windrum.

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Announcements

The **Call to Offering and Action** highlights our response to God's love through our action, service and financial support. Each week we pray for a community partner, special project and/or people who are making a difference in our community and world. The United Methodist Church and this local congregation live our faith through our giving in many ways. Your giving starts here and is multiplied by God. Thank you.

Our **Call to Offering and Action** today recognizes the work of Casa de Amparo. They are an organization dedicated to helping children, mostly girls but boys too, who have been severely traumatized, abused and neglected. They serve children up to age 18. If you'd like more information contact Kathy Johnson or her granddaughter, Emma.

Ministry Budget 2022: Thank you for your support of the mission, vision and ministry of our faith community! To date, we've received **73 pledge cards** from families investing in our service to God, totaling **\$199,920.00**. Our total projected ministry budget for 2022 is \$576,974.13. In order to fully fund our ministry budget we have a **congregational pledge goal of \$325,000**. Please help us close our funding gap for 2022!! For more information, contact Rollin Grider.

Advent Begins: *In the ancient world, various peoples lit fires to mark the turning of the light into winter's season and to pray for a return of the light. The church has Christianized that practice in the lighting of the Advent wreath. To us, these candles are signs of the growing light of Christ who is coming again in all fullness into the darkness of our world. Until the dawning of that Great Day, we watch and wait in Holy Spirit for Christ's coming into the darkness of our world, lighting candles of hope, peace, joy, and love; and remembering the promises of God with prayer.*

Save the Date: All Church Charge Conference next Sunday, December 5 on Zoom. Meeting ID: 999 8933 1522

Home for the Holidays: An Advent online devotional. Each week a member of the congregation will share a devotion for the season leading to Christmas. This week we welcome Dakota Koenig, who shares a message about HOPE. Find this devotion and each week's worship service on our YouTube channel.

Come and join us for Hanging of the Greens TODAY! The Worship team invites you all to join us after church to decorate the Chancel for the Advent/Christmas season. We will gather in the Sanctuary at noon, following the service, and decorate the tree, hang wreaths, put up the Bethlehem Village and all those wonderful things to make our season beautiful. Please plan to stay and help even if only for a short time. See you there!



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