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Worship Bulletin of the United Methodist Church of Vista

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In-house and Live-stream Worship

**January 1, 2023
10:00 a.m.
New Year's Sunday**

Gathering

Gathering Music

Adam Ferrara

Pastoral Welcome with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Opening Prayer with Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister

God in the flesh, help us remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and worship of the wise men. Close the door on hate and open the door to love for all the world. Let kindness be every gift in the year ahead and deliver us from the hurts we have experienced. Teach our hearts to be glad. May the spirit of Christmas stay with us and make us grateful for forgiveness given, received and ours. All this lifted in the name of Jesus, Amen.

Song of Welcome

Go, Tell It on the Mountain UMH 251

Words: John W. Work, Jr.

Music: Afro-American spiritual

Praise Band

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

Sharing the Word

Scripture with Colleen Guffey

Hebrews 1:1-5 and John 1:1-14 ([NRSV](#))

Message

Mystical Awkward Jesus

Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw



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Song of the Word

There's A Song in the Air UMH 249, Vs. 1, 2 & 4

Words: Josiah G. Holland, 1874

Music: Karl P. Harrington, 1904

Adam Ferrara

Community Prayer with Lord's Prayer with Rev. Frank Hallock

God of our new beginnings, here we are on the first Sunday of the new year. For many, a new year means making promises and resolutions, or perhaps breaking bad habits. In our succeeding and our failing, let us be reminded of your untethered blessing in Jesus. Let us be reminded that you promised renewal, healing and freedom from sin, and you make good on that promise. We can count on your presence for every hour ahead. Our year can only begin with joy for the truth of your nearness. Amen.

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

Jimmy Patton

Communion

***Call to Offering and Action** with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Invitation and Dedication: Prayer

Great God, our Redeemer, we sing your praises. Your glorious love shines in the face of Jesus, born a babe in this dark world. We marvel that he generously humbled himself to bring salvation. How precious is your gift of love! Let the light in our sanctuary and our songs of praise spill through the windows to neighbors dwelling in darkness. May our gifts and offerings reflect the light of Christ and, as beacons in the night, draw people far and near closer to you. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.



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Commissioned into the World

Song of Sending

Joy to the World UMH 246, Vs. 1, 2 & 4 Words: Isaac Watts

Music: G.F. Handel, arr. Lowell Mason

Adam Ferrara, organ

Benediction with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Postlude

Praise Band

Pastors: Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw, Associate Pastor of Music and Visitation,
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Announcements

Interpreter for the Deaf: On this first Sunday of the month, we welcome an interpreter for the Deaf/and hard-of hearing. Congregational Care is providing funds for this pilot program. We are striving to ensure that God's Word is accessible to all. Please invite anyone you feel could benefit from this service.

Youth Happenings - Parents and youth will meet right after today's worship service to discuss, share, plan and schedule youth activities and 2023 summer camp schedules. See John Giard if you have any questions.

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.

Thank you for your Support and Contributions: You are essential to all we do for Vista and beyond. Please consider making a financial contribution to the ongoing work of this faith community. Your monetary gifts can be dropped in the offering box or a giving plate in the narthex/lobby after worship. Thank you!

Valentine's Sunday - Jesus said, "Love one another, as I have loved you." Share YOUR love on Valentine's Sunday by uploading one picture of your love for a friend, family, pet or place. Be sure to share your name and the name for "your love" with any expression of love you'd like to share. We will share them in worship on Feb 12. Upload your picture or love note by February 6th to videoupload.umcvista.org. Contact Michael Beu for more information.

United Women in Faith Sunday is coming up on January 29. We celebrate the women of our church, their passion and work in missions and for women and children around the world. This year we welcome Rev. Krista Givens who will be sharing our message from across the globe. Be sure to join in worship for a special worship time.

Send off celebration today - Taylor Lyons is leaving for school in Arizona. Scott and Tracy invites you to say good-bye in the Narthex following the worship service.

Note: Church office closed Monday, January 2.



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