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Worship Bulletin of the United Methodist Church of Vista

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In-house and Live-stream Worship

**December 4, 2022
10:00 a.m.
2nd Sunday of Advent**

Gathering

Gathering Music

Praise Band

Pastoral Welcome with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Opening Prayer with Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister

Oh, beautiful Advent season, how we love thee. This time of waiting and anticipation stirs such hope in our hearts. God, we recognize this season as a gift from you, a reminder of your promised Messiah come to save us. As we enter into worship today, fill us with exceeding great joy. Holy Spirit, guide our words, our songs and our actions. Allow each song that is sung, each Scripture that is read, and each prayer offered to point us to you. We give you this time because it is for you and about you. May your name be made great. Amen.

Advent Candle Lighting tune

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light UMH 206

Words and Music: Kathleen Thomerson

Praise Band



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Advent Candle Lighting with the Johnson 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*)

We light this candle for peace. (*Light the second candle*)

The prophet Isaiah wrote, "The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Faithful God, you are at work to restore all of creation in its intended harmony. Give us your shalom that we may be reconciled to all enemies in the peace that passes all understanding through Christ Jesus our Lord. God of promise, God of hope, into our darkness come.

***Children's Time (and released to Sunday School)**

Sharing the Word

Scripture with Rollin Grider

Isaiah 11:1-10 and Matthew 2:1-12 (NRSV)

Message

"What Peace? Whose Peace?"

Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Song of the Word

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming UMH 216

Words: Theodore Baker, 1894

Music: German composer Michael Praetorius, 1609

Adam Ferrara

Call to Prayer Song

Love Came Down at Christmas UMH 242, Vs. 2

Words and Music: Traditional Puerto Rican carol

Adam Ferrara

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and Communion with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Response to the Word

Special Music

Celtic Advent Carol

Words: Michael Barrett

Music: David Angeman and Michael Barrett

Chancel Choir



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

Invitation and Dedication: Prayer

Our God, architect of this world and all others: we know you had a vision for all your creation to dwell together. With the creatures of the air, earth, and sea, you long for us to live in respect and with one another. We give this morning, understanding that we have denied you that desire. We ask you to help us use who we are and what we have to heal this abused and broken world. In Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Commissioned into the World

Song of Sending

Angels From the Realms of Glory UMH 220

Words: James Montgomery

Music: Henry T. Smart

Praise Band

Benediction

Postlude

Praise Band

Pastors: Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw, Associate Pastor of Music and Visitation, Rev. Frank Hallock and Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister



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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.

Countdown to Christmas: It’s three weeks until Christmas! In person worship Dec. 24 at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Online worship Dec. 25 at 10 a.m.

United Women in Faith: United Women in Faith are inviting all women of the congregation (as guests) to a Holiday Luncheon catered by El Pollo Loco restaurant at 11:00 am on Tuesday, December 13, 2022. Entertainment by the Sunset Strummers Ukulele Group. RSVP by December 7, to Jacque Howard or Sara Baldwin.



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Reconciling Ministries: Welcomes you to a 4 p.m. Peace Vigil today.

See's Candy Winter Fundraiser: We are supporting Veterans Village with individual candy boxes for the season. Please stop by the table in the Narthex to help make the season sweeter for our Vets. This is the last day for this Fundraiser. So far, we have sold 66 boxes. Please consider helping us reach our 100 box goal! Thank you for supporting this outreach to Veterans Village.

Christmas gifts for our staff - This is an opportunity to remember our staff and to say “thank you” for all the support they provided our church through the year. We invite your gifts of cash donations or checks (made out to UMC Vista; write in the memo, “Staff Gift”) and place your gift in the Present Box at the end of each service, which will be available in the Narthex, Dec. 4, 11 and 18, or you may place it in the offering plate. We will present your gifts to the staff on Dec. 19. If you have any questions, please see Melissa Giard, Staff-Parish Chair.

Join us on Sunday, Dec. 11 at 2:00 p.m. for Christmas caroling. Any questions, please see Kathy Johnson.

Music Ministry's Annual Christmas Concert: Join us on Sunday December 18, at 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The Chancel Choir, Anderson Handbells, Chamber Orchestra and Praise Band will combine to offer a varied and wonderful selection of music for the Christmas Season. Director's Conversation will be at 3:15 p.m. There is no charge and a free-will offering will be taken in support of the Music Ministry.

Next week we celebrate those being confirmed in faith. In the United Methodist Church, Confirmation marks the time when a baptized believer accepts the vows of baptism for themselves.



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