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Worship Bulletin of the United Methodist Church of Vista

Online Worship

December 25, 2022

10:00 a.m.

Christmas Day

Gathering

Gathering Music

Linus and Lucy

Music: Vince Guaraldi

Adam Ferrara and Jimmy Patton

Pastor Welcome with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Advent Candle Lighting Song

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel UMH 211, Vs. 1-3

Words: 9th Century Latin

Music: 15th Century French

Adam Ferrara

Advent Candle Lighting with the UMC Vista Staff

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

We light this candle for hope.

We light this candle for peace.

We light this candle for joy.

We light this candle for love.

As our redemption draws near, We light this candle for our Christ.

The prophet Isaiah said, The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined. For a child has been born for us, a son is given to us.

Let us pray, **Holy One, We see the light that is God's light. The light of God is joy for all the earth, peace that brings healing and love that sustains us eternally. The angels have brought the message and we celebrate the birth of the Christ child tonight! Glory to God in the highest! Amen.**

Song of Welcome

What Child Is This UMH 219, Vs. 1&2

Words: William C. Dix

Music: 16th cent. English melody

Adam Ferrara and Jimmy Patton, guitar



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Sharing the Word

Scripture Reading with Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister
Isaiah 9:2-7 (NRSV)

Message

“The Christmas Message”
Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Special Music

Celtic Advent Carol
Words: Michael Barrett
Music: David Angerman and Michael Barrett
Chancel Choir

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

Mighty Creator, Glorious Redeemer, Gracious Sustainer, we come before you with awe and thanksgiving for the revelation of yourself in the babe in a manger. In him, you were born of flesh that we might be born of spirit. In him, you gave us One to share our humanity and reveal your will. In him, you gave us a model of complete trust in you, even in times of testing, rejection, suffering and death. In him, you gave us a companion on the human journey, so we might experience salvation hope. May our lives reflect our gratitude to you for this incredible gift. We pray in the name of our Savior and Helper, Jesus the Christ. 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

Sussex Carol
Words and Music: Adam Ferrara and Jimmy Patton
Jimmy Patton and Adam Ferrara

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

Invitation and Dedication: Prayer

Gracious God, our focus for much of this season has been on purchasing gifts for others, or wondering what we will receive. We sometimes forget that all we have comes from you. And that the most precious gift we will ever receive is your grace. It is right that we offer you our gifts, freely and joyfully given to your glory and to further the work of your kingdom. Bless our finances that they may better this community in your name and bless our commitment to action that we may be your hands and feet in the world. Amen.



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Commissioned into the World

Song of Sending

White Christmas

Words and Music: Irving Berlin
Adam Ferrara and Jimmy Patton

Benediction

Postlude

Joy to the World UMH 246, Vs. 1-3

Words: Isaac Watts
Music: G.F. Handel, arr. Lowell Mason
Adam Ferrara, organ

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

We look forward to being together again in 2023 for worship in sanctuary and online on January 1, 2023.

Special thanks to all who made Advent and Christmas so beautiful with worship, music, poinsettias and joy!



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