

First Sunday of Advent – November 30, 2014

Prelude

Dorothea White

***Passing of the Peace**

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” v. 1

UMH 211

Advent Candle Lighting

Candle of Hope
(Insert)

Sharon and
John Metcalf

“Light one candle for hope, one bright candle for hope. He brings hope to every heart. He comes! He comes! Light one candle for joy, one bright candle for joy. Every nation will find salvation in Bethlehem’s baby boy. Light one candle for hope, one bright candle for hope. He brings hope to every heart. He comes! He comes!”

****Opening Hymn**

“My Soul Gives Glory to My God”

UMH 198

Unison Prayer

*God of hope,
you call us from the exile of our sin
with the good news of restoration;
you build a highway through the wilderness;
you come to us and bring us home.
Comfort us with the expectation of your saving power,
made known to us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Hymn of Preparation

“Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming”

UMH 216

Scripture

Old Testament

Ezekiel 36:25-28

Psalm

Psalm 85, read responsively

UMH 806

*Gospel

Mark 1:1-8

Message

“Hope”

Pastor Katie

Offertory

“A Tiny Child Will Come”

Choir

***Doxology**

“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Please stand as you are able

** Lighting of the candles

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Praises and Prayer Requests

After each praise or prayer request, "Lord hear our praise or prayer"

***The Apostle's Creed**

UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Closing Hymn**

"Blessed Be the God of Israel"

UMH 209

***Benediction**

***Choral Response**

"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

UMH 204

Postlude

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We welcome you to worship with us again!

To our guests, thank you for visiting us today. Please fill out a visitor's card located in the pews and place it in the offering plate, or see an usher or the Pastor. Join us in the Overflow Room for a "Meet & Greet" after the service.

	Readers	Communion	
		Server(s)	Cantor
Nov 30	Susan Safford		
Dec 7	Mike Scobell	Shirley Massey	Dawn Smith
Dec 14	Barb Cook		
Dec 21	Shirley Massey	Bob and Mary Crouse	

***Please stand as you are able**