reflecting the sacred

Hope

1st Sunday of Advent

Christ Church United Methodist

November 27, 2022

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*Denotes when congregation is invited to stand, in body or spirit.

Bold type denotes congregation speaking aloud.

UMH: The United Methodist Hymnal

reflecting the sacred

The shiny additions to our holiday visuals remind us that we are called to reflect the sacred. All creation is imbued with the Creator's brilliance. We begin by remembering the call to shine with holy light.

Gathering Music Roots and Wings Choir

Welcome and Opening Meditation

Pastor Jordan Vermeer

Introit The Light of Hope Enters — *Upon this Moment* by Marcia McFee, arr. Chuck Bell

*Call to Worship

Living God, we pray for your Hope this day.

We open to see the Sacred reflected in all things.

We open to see each moment as a gift of holy presence.

This is the gift of the Christ Mystery, lighting the way to hope.

As we take in the hope you offer, we give thanks for this holy moment.

May we reflect your light, and expand "right now" into the sacred time of "always and forever."

*Opening Hymn — Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

UMH 196

refracting the sacred

As we encounter the message today, we see the world and our own lives and loved ones in a different light, one that invites us to know more deeply the sacred nature of all things.

All-Age Story and Koins for Kids Offering for EarthLinks

Rev. Emily Flemming

Children pre-K through 5th grade are invited downstairs for Children's Church.

Please pick them up in the Children's Wing after worship.

First Scripture Reading — Romans 13:11-14 (CEB)

Pastor Jordan Vermeer

Choral Anthem — *Christ Be Our Light* by Bernadette Farrell

Roots and Wings Choir

*Second Scripture Reading — Matthew 24:36-44 (NRSVUE)

Pastor Jordan Vermeer

This is a word of God for a people of God. Thanks be to God, Amen.

Sermon — "Sacred Time"

Rev. Emily Flemming

refilling the sacred

God's presence is poured into creation in a never-ending flow of love. We enter a time of prayer that invites us to be refilled in ways that can help us pour out our love throughout the week.

Musical Reflection — Emmanuel, Emmanuel by Bob McGee

Dave Ramsey

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Rev. Emily Flemming

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Emily Flemming

Offering Connection

Pastor Jordan Vermeer

reframing the sacred

This Advent season, we are reframing the way we recognize the sacred reflected all around and through us. As we go, we prepare to share Christ's love with others.

Anointing Hymn — O Come, O Come Emmanuel UMH 211 vs. 1, 2

Anointed to Sacred Time

*Closing Hymn — The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing

Pew insert, vs. 1, 2

*Benediction

Rev. Emily Flemming

*Postlude — Go, Tell it on the Mountain

**Please remain in your pew until the Light of Christ exits. **

in the offering plate.

Please tear along crease and place

PRAYER REQUESTS

Week of November 27th

- ☐ Please share in the newsletter.
- \square For staff prayer only.

Announcements

Altar flowers today are in loving memory of Nicholas Nelson, our son, brother, and uncle. Given by the Nelson and Drakes families.

Many thanks to today's volunteers:

The Nelson Family, Acolytes Joan Foster, Cantor Kristen Vuletich and Kate Yonushewski, Welcome Team Marlene Koehler and Rob Prickett, Financial Counters

Order a poinsettia today by completing the flyer in your bulletin. Only \$8.

Advent Reflection Class meets at 9am Sundays through Advent in the Naylor Study. Come and reflect on the Advent season through the lens of Richard Rohr's book *Preparing for Christmas*.

Come walk the **Prayer Labyrinth** 9am Sun., Dec. 4 with the Advent class.

Annual All-Church Photo will be immediately after worship Sunday, December 4th. Please plan to join us!

Church Conference, our annual business meeting, is after worship Sunday, December 4th in the sanctuary.

Donations needed for the **Diaper Drive**. United Women in Faith will donate them to Rocky Mountain Diaper Depot at the end of Advent.

Trustees meeting Dec. 6 at 5:30pm in the Upper Room (Rm. 206).

Join us! Cookies and Carols after worship Dec. 11 in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday Seminar meets at 9am Sundays in the Chapel and on Zoom.

BYOB2 is breaking for the holidays and will resume at noon on January 8.

Choir rehearses 6pm Wednesdays in the choir room. All voices welcome.

WE WANT TO KNOW

What is your favorite time of the day? How is it sacred?

Please complete the connections slip and place in offering plate.

November 27, 2022 Name(s): Children in attendance: City/State/Zip: Home Phone: Cell Phone: ______ Email(s): ☐ My contact info has changed. I am/We are ☐ Member/s ☐ Regular Attender ☐ First-Time Visitor Visitors, how'd you hear about us? ☐ Banners ☐ Friend: ☐ Website **□** Facebook What drew you to our community? The church office needs to know: ☐ I would like to receive emailed newsletters. ☐ I would appreciate a nametag. ☐ Please help connect me to:

Welcome to Worship

Welcome to Christ Church United Methodist! This faith community works to be R.E.A.L. (helping you **R**elate, **E**ngage, **A**dvocate, and **L**earn). We share a deep connection to God and one another, loving across differences. We are excited that you found us and hope that you will feel relaxed, and comfortable. Please reach out to pastors or staff if you have any questions.

Children - We love and welcome all ages in worship. Enjoy our Wiggle Bags, or visit the Children's Library in the lobby. The Nursery is available for ages 0-4.

Social Distance Indicators -Please choose and display your comfort level: Red = Please maintain 6' distance.

Yellow = Some closer contact ok (i.e. elbow bumps).

Green = High fives and handshakes welcome.

Giving and Serving - Checks and cash are welcome in the offering plates at the rear of the sanctuary. Drop a check in the mail, or text any amount to 720-806-4114 to use our website for online donations.

Privacy - Worship this morning is livestreamed to YouTube. If you prefer not to be on screen, please sit near the back and keep children in your seats during the All-Age Story.

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