



First Sunday in Advent

United Methodist Church

December 3rd, 2023

Link for live worship:

<https://youtube.com/live/m5fY56QgnPs?feature=share>

Prelude **Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus** *Barbara Shaw*

Welcoming the Holy Spirit *Acolyte(s)*

Greeting and Welcome *Rev. Peter Freytag*

* **Call to Worship** *from Psalm 80*

One: Sisters and Brothers join me in entreating our Lord:

All: O Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock; Come!

One: Restore us, O God.

All: You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth!

One: We seek You now and always.

All: Stir up Your might, and come to save us!

* Hymn **There's A Song In The Air** *Hymnal #249*

First Advent Candle The Candle of Peace *Blake Family*

One: The first Advent candle is the Candle of Peace.

All: The Gospel of Luke tells us: "In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified." Lk 2

One: The humble shepherds were terrified; and were reassured by an angel of the Lord: **"Be not afraid"**.

(light the first Candle)

One: An innocent, humble baby born in Bethlehem.

All: The baby Jesus brings Peace to the world.

Anthem **Come, Jesus, Prince of Peace** *Ensemble*
By Diane Hannibal

* Scripture **1 Corinthians 1:3-9** *Pew Bible N.T. #155*
One: The Word of the Lord
All: Thanks Be to God

Prayer Time – Sharing prayers of concern and celebration.

Unison Prayer

One: In this Advent Season we prepare for God's coming.

All: Through Jesus we know that God accepts all our human limitations.

One: Jesus remains faithful to us in the search for PEACE.

All: When we have taken Christ's actions lightly we have failed to be His disciples.

One: We come here repenting.

All: In Christ we find forgiveness.

One: Christ guides us to search for truth.

All: Lord guide our journey in this Advent, Amen.

Silent Prayer and Meditation

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (unison) *Hymnal #270*

Offertory **My Jesus, I Love Thee** *Barbara Shaw*

* Scripture **Mark 13: 24-27,32-37** *Pew Bible N.T. #47-48*
One: The Word of the Lord
All: Thanks Be to God

* Hymn **It Is Well With My Soul** *VBS Video*

Sermon **Clean Clothes** *Rev. Peter Freytag*

Holy Communion

* Hymn **Angels From The Realms Of Glory** *Hymnal #220*

Benediction **Go Now In Peace** *Congregation*

* Please stand if you are able

This Week's Calendar:

Office Hours:

Monday - Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – Noon

Tuesday – **Church Charge Conference – 7 p.m. via Zoom**

Wednesday: Office is Closed

6:00 p.m. – Ensemble Practice

Thursday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. – Noon

Next Sunday, December 10, 2023

11:00 a.m.: English Worship Service

3:00 p.m.: Tongan Worship Service

Holy Communion

In the United Methodist Church

is available to all people of all ages.

We extend Christ's invitation to everyone.

If walking or standing are a challenge,
we will bring the elements to you in your pew.

Cantata

The ensemble will present the Cantata "Worship His Glory,
Worship the King! At 11 am Christmas Eve Morning

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Join us for our Candlelight Service at 7:00 p.m.

After the service we will be celebrating with punch and cookies
in the parlor. Feel free to bring in your cookies to share with all.

Annual Church Conference Dec. 5 - TUESDAY

Let us join at 7 pm as we conduct our yearly meeting via Zoom.
Zoom meeting credentials will be emailed later.

Prayers in our Church Family:

- Ahi Tolutau, Jr. recovering and healing.
- Brothers and sisters in war torn locations.
- Renee's son Zach healing his spleen.
- Homebound members

Senior Pastor: *Peter Freytag*

Office Manager: *Paea Kelemeni*

Lay Leader: *Mark Dockter*

Ad Council Chair: *Mike Sumrall*

Accompanist: *Barbara Shaw*

Tongan Pastor: *Atonio Toluta'u*

Christian Ed: *Stephanie Iverson*

Tongan Lay Leader: *Ngalu Kelemeni*

Lay Delegate: *Melba Taylor*

Liturgist: *Diana Hunt*

Communion Stewards: *Carol D., Melba T. Ellen S.-D.,*

Sandy T., Deb G.

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Rose McClendon in Prayer -- Richmond Barthe, Fallingwater, PA

Advent Candle of Peace

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