



Second Sunday in Advent

United Methodist Church

December 10th, 2023

Link for live worship:

<https://youtube.com/live/GPw57zZCMs?feature=share>

Prelude **I Hear the Bells on Christmas Day** *Barbara Shaw*

Welcoming the Holy Spirit *Acolyte(s)*

Greeting and Welcome *Rev. Peter Freytag*

* **Call to Worship** *From Psalm 85*

One: LORD speak to us this morning.

All: Let us hear what God the LORD will speak.

One: The Lord will speak peace to His people

**All: The Lord will speak to the faithful,
to those who turn with their whole hearts.**

One: Surely God's salvation is at hand for the faithful,
and glory may dwell in our land.

**All: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness
and peace will kiss each other.**

One: The LORD will give what is good

**All: The land will prosper;
righteousness will abound.**

* Hymn **O Come, O Come Emmanuel** *Hymnal #211*
(verses 1,2,7)

The Second Advent Candle – Hope

One: Today we continue our Advent journey toward Christmas as
we light two Advent Candles; Peace and Hope.

**All: As we share in our sacred journey toward the
anniversary of the birth of Jesus, we hear the words of
scripture that journey with us.**

(Light the two candles of the advent wreath.)

One: From the book of Romans, let us read the following words
together:

**All: "For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is
not hope. For who hopes for what they see? But if we hope**

for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience."

Anthem **Bring Us Hope** **Ensemble**
By Ruth Elaine Schram

* Scripture **Isaiah 40:1-11** *Pew Bible O.T. p.627*
One: The Word of the Lord
All: Thanks Be to God

Prayer Time – Sharing prayers of concern and celebration.

Unison Prayer

One: Hear us as we pray;

**All: Reveal Yourself anew, God of all creation,
in ways that we can understand.**

One: Turn us around so we may join the meek of the earth in
this advent journey.

**All: We long for that day of peace when all people bear
good fruit.**

One: We come with childlike trust
that leads us all in the way of peace.

**All: Lord help us to not only be those who accept peace,
but those who bring the peace, in Christ's name.
Amen.**

Silent Prayer and Meditation

Pastoral Prayer

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

Offertory **Something for Jesus** *Barbara Shaw*

* Scripture **Mark 1:1-8** *Pew Bible N.T. p.32*
One: The Word of the Lord
All: Thanks Be to God

* Hymn **My Hope Is in The Lord** *VBS Video*

Sermon **Shepherd And Lamb** *Rev. Peter Freytag*

* Hymn **What Child Is This?** *Hymnal #219*

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

Wednesday: Office is Closed

6:00 p.m. – Ensemble Practice

Thursday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. – Noon

Next Sunday, December 17, 2023

11:00 a.m.: English Worship Service

3:00 p.m.: Tongan Worship Service

Cantata

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

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

We will be celebrating after Christmas Eve at 7 pm service with punch and cookies. Feel free to bring in your cookies to share.

Prayers in our Church Family:

- Ahi Tolutau, Jr. serious injuries from car accident.
- Brothers and sisters in war torn locations.
- Renee's son Zach healing his spleen.
- Homebound members
- Dawn's dad Don
- Steve Boylls healing and good diagnosis

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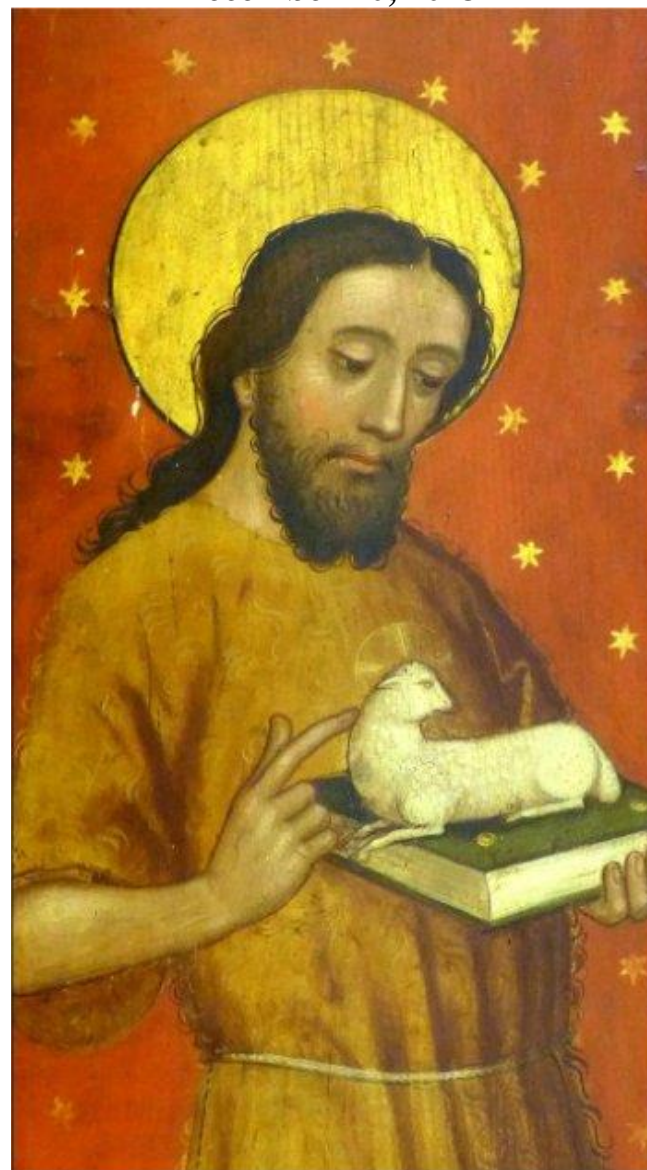
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