



WASHINGTON
STREET
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Washington Street United Methodist Church (Pre-Videoed)

Liturgical Color: Purple, symbolizing the royalty of the Christ Child
Washington Street UMC ~ Sanctuary

December 6, 2020

Second Sunday in Advent

PRELUDE

“Pastorale” from *Messiah*
Louis Shirer, organ

George Frideric Handel

WELCOME (*Instructions for Interactive Worship*)

You may create your sanctuary in any space, for all things belong to God. You are invited to READ THE Advent Devotion along with our Washington Street members, to light the Advent candle with us, and to continue to worship with us as we celebrate the Sacred Word and Sacred Song from Handel’s Messiah.

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Mindy Gibson & Melanie Johnson

THE OPENING PRAYER

God of Advent, of waiting and hoping, keep our hearts expectant, ready for your coming among us. God of Christmas, of celebration and rejoicing, make our hearts glad with the joy nothing can take from us. God of Epiphany, of hiding and making known, fill our hearts with wonder at the revelation of your glory that we have seen in Christ, our Lord. Amen. *

HYMN 211

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI EMMANUEL

(v. 1, 2, 4)

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.
Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
2. O come, thou Wisdom from on high, and order all things far and nigh;
to us the path of knowledge show and cause us in her ways to go.
Refrain
4. O come, thou Root of Jesse’s tree, an ensign of thy people be;
before thee rulers silent fall; all peoples on thy mercy call.
Refrain

Karly Shorter, soprano; Louis Shirer, organ

Words: 9th cent. Latin; trans. *The Hymnal*, 1940, Henry Sloan Coffin, 1916, and Laurence Hull Stookey, 1986; Music: 15th cent. French; arr. Thomas Helmore, 1854

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(In Unison)*

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.

from *Messiah*

George Frideric Handel

ACCOMPAGNATO

Comfort Ye, My People

AIR

Ev'ry Valley Shall Be Exalted
Johnnie Felder, tenor; Louis Shirer, organ

THE EPISTLE LESSON

II Peter 3:8-15a

PROCLAMATION

“Preparing for the Promise”

Rev. Parrish

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

HYMN 213

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

TRURO

(v. 1, 2, 4)

1. Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates;
behold, the King of glory waits;
the King of kings is drawing near;
the Savior of the world is here!
2. Fling wide the portals of your heart;
make it a temple, set apart
from earthly use for heaven's employ,
adorned with prayer and love and joy.
4. Thy Holy Spirit lead us on
until our glorious goal is won;
eternal praise, eternal fame
be offered, Savior, to thy name!

Karly Shorter, soprano; Louis Shirer, organ

Words: Georg Weissel, 17th cent.; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1855; Music: *Psalmodia Evangelica*, 1789

BENEDICTION

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WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY

The rose on the pulpit is placed in celebration of Braxton McCoy Murphy, born November 20, 2020. Parents, Michael and Kristin Murphy, brother, Tanner and grandparents Gwen and Keith Murphy welcome Braxton to their family as we welcome him to the Washington Street family.

FLOWERS

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of George A. Markert.



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