

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:30AM AND 11:00AM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2021

*RINGING OF THE BELL

GATHERING *(Please take a moment to sign the attendance pad and pass it on to your neighbor.)*

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE (UMH#720) *Wake, Awake, For Night Is Flying* W. G. Walther

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively):

L: Sing praises to God on high, for glorious are God's works!

P: SING PRAISES TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH.

L: Shout and sing for joy, O people of God -

P: FOR GREAT IS THE HOLY ONE IN OUR MIDST!

L: Blessed is the One Who comes to dwell among us.

P: AMEN!

*OPENING HYMN OF PRAISE UMH#234 *(vv. 1-3)* *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE *Megan Quattlebaum, Fred & Ann Kelly – 8:30am*
Mary Ann Green & Janice Hipp – 11am

ANTHEM *The Snow Lay On the Ground* Anglo-English Melody
(Charles Gatch, soloist/8:30am)

O Come Emmanuel, Come Soon Byrd/Hopson
(LUMC Chancel Choir/11am)

*AN ADVENT CREED *(as a group)*:

WE BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER, CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH, THE ONE WHO IS FULL OF PATIENCE, WHO IS NOT AFRAID OF SILENCE, WHO DOES NOT NEED TO FILL EACH MOMENT WITH ACTIVITY AND NOISE, THE ONE WHO IS BEYOND BLUSTER AND FLURRY, AND WHO DOES NOT JOSTLE FOR ATTENTION. *(continued)*

WE BELIEVE IN GOD THE SON, SAVIOR OF CREATION, WHO SLIPPED INTO BETHLEHEM ONE NIGHT, MOSTLY UNNOTICED, WHO LIVED THIRTY YEARS WITHOUT HEADLINES OR HURRY, WHO FREQUENTLY TOOK TIME ALONE WITH HIS PATIENT FATHER, WHO WAITED FOR THE RIGHT TIME TO BECOME THE SUFFERING SERVANT, WHO STOOD QUIETLY BEFORE THE NOISE OF HIS ACCUSERS, WHOSE SILENCE OVERPOWERED THEIR WORDS, WHO DIED, THEN ROSE AGAIN ON A QUIET SUNDAY MORNING.

WE BELIEVE IN GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT, WHO STRENGTHENS, EMPOWERS, RENEWS AND REFRESHES, SOMETIMES ARRIVING WITH OBVIOUS POWER, SOMETIMES WITH THE QUIET BREATH OF A WHISPER.

WE BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, WHO PATIENTLY WAITS FOR US, AND WHO LONGS FOR US TO DO THE SAME. AMEN.

*GLORIA PATRI #71

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN

Heather Connor/Video

WITNESS TO THE WORD *Worship Fully ... But Who or What?* Rev. L. Kim Eanes

*HYMN OF PRAISE UMH#203

Hail To the Lord's Anointed

PRAYER CONCERNS, PASTORAL PRAYER, THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

OFFERTORY (UMH#200) *Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord* W. Greatorex

*THE DOXOLOGY #95

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE UMH#73

O Worship the King

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*POSTLUDE (TFWS#2091)

The King of Glory

Israeli Folk Tune

**Please stand if you are able*

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