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Our Mission Statement:
To show God's love as revealed in Jesus Christ.

Sunday, November 29, 2026 at 10:30 a.m.

First Sunday of Advent
Hope

***Please stand in body or in spirit.**

Prelude

****Greeting***
L: The Lord be with you.
P: And also with you.

****Introit:***
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus **VU# 2 v. 1&4**

****Words of Welcome***

Life and Work of the Church

Happy Birthday/Anniversary

Acknowledging the Territory

****Hymn:***
Gentle Mary Laid Her Child **VU# 46**

Call to Worship
L: Advent is a time of waiting and anticipation.
P: We are overwhelmed with cries to prepare for Christmas.
L: First, we need to slow down and take time to reflect.
P: No time! Have to get everything done and it takes longer now.
L: We need our Advent time. A time of preparation for the coming of God into the world.
P: We have time to stop and prepare a place for the Baby.

L: May God enter our worship and hearts as we prepare.

Prayer of Approach **(Unison)**
God of the waiting, with hearts full of anticipation we come. We are preparing for a time unlike any other. It is both familiar and new, just as the arrival of the Christ Child was these things. Hope is still to be found in our world. Hope is still coming into the world. May we hold this hope, and then extend it to all as we watch and wait this Advent. Amen.

Hymn:
Away in a Manger **VU# 69**

Scripture:
Isaiah 61:1-4, 10-11 The spirit of the Lord is upon me

Lighting the Advent Candle *(Responsive)*
L: Into the world's shadowed places comes the Advent light of Jesus the Christ.
P: A light of hope for lonely people who want a friend.
L: This is the Advent light of Jesus.
P: A light of hope for those who have no place to call home.
L: This is the Advent light of Jesus.
P: A light of hope for those who are afraid of tomorrow.
L: We light this Advent candle for we know that God's hopeful love shines out in Jesus the Christ. We will reflect that hope in our actions.
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Sung Response:
Jesus Came Bringing Us Hope **MV# 33**

Message Help! It's Only Advent!

Scripture:
John 1:1-8, 19-28 John the Baptist testifies to the Light

Anthem: Star-Led and Wonder Bound

Message How Do We Get Ready?

****Hymn:***
It Came upon the Midnight Clear **VU# 44**

Invitation to the Offering

****Offertory Response:***
In the Bleak Midwinter **VU# 55 v. 4**

****Prayer of Dedication***

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer **VU# 921**

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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

****Closing Hymn:***
Angels, from the Realms of Glory **VU# 36**

****Commissioning and Benediction***

****Sung Response:***
Hope Is a Star **VU# 7 v. 1**

Postlude
People, Look East Arr. Mary McDonald

Worship Leaders:
Word: Rev. Mary-Jane Hobden
Music: Melanie MacLeod, Anne Lynd & Kingsview Choir
Projection Booth & Live Streaming Team
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