

November 27, 2022
First Sunday of Advent
Order of Worship
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

The Church Gathers

(10:45 am) Praise & Worship: “My Chains Are Gone”
“Still”

Joys & Concerns

Prelude “Holy, Holy, Holy” FWS2007

*Opening Hymn: “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” UMH196

*Call to Worship: (*responsive*)

L: I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

P: For in God’s house we shall find hope and healing.

L: In God’s house we shall find forgiveness and friendship.

P: May peace be within the walls of this house of God.

L: Come, let us go to the house of the Lord.

P: Come, let us sing our praises to God who loves and redeems us. Amen.

Opening Prayer: (*unison*)

O Lord,

our lives are so filled with chaos and tribulation.

Help us be ready to receive your message and gift of love,

that we might grow into faithful disciples,

serving you by serving others with hope and compassion.

In Christ’s Name, we pray. Amen.

We Offer Prayers & Praise

The Lord’s Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts

Offertory

*Presentation & Response: “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH95

Children’s Message

Choral Anthem

“O Fir Tree, Dark”

We Meditate on God’s Word

*First Scripture Reading: Psalm 107:23-32

Prayer for Illumination “Eternal Father, Strong to Save ” FWS2191

*Second Scripture Reading: Mark 4:35-41
The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

The Lighting of the Advent Candle (see insert) (8:30) Bill & Pat Ellis
(11:00) Pam & Myron Horn

Sermon: “I am Sailing” Pastor Steven Cho
A Lesson from *The Old Man and the Sea*

We Go Forth to Love & Serve

*Closing Hymn: “It Came upon the Midnight Clear” UMH218

*Benediction

*Postlude

Announcements

The Church Goes Out to Love And Serve

* If you are able, please stand.

- Hymns & prayers designated with FWS are found in the small black hymnal, *The Faith We Sing*.