



Peace

They will hammer their swords
into plowshares and their spears
into pruning hooks. Nation will
no longer fight against nation, nor
train for war anymore.
— Isaiah 2:4

November 27, 2022, 10:30 a.m.

First Sunday of Advent

Order of Worship

(*Please rise in body or in spirit.)

PRELUDE “Benedictus” (Reger) Henry Repp

GREETING Rev. Todd Lattig

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE — “Peace”

Readers: Shirley Spooner, Melinda McCoy-Miller

Responsive Hymn: “From God on High”

Sung following the lighting:

The choir will sing it through,

then the congregation will

repeat it.

**Peace came down from God on high,
As the star shone in the sky.
Peace came down on Christmas morn
In the form of a baby born.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP Kathleen Meredith

Come, let’s turn to the Holy.

We come to worship God our Creator.

Come, bring your hopes, fears, and longing for a better world.

We come to praise the Prince of Peace.

Come, as your whole self — body, mind, and soul.

We come to receive the Spirit who gives us life.

ALL: God, as we attend to you, fill us with peace. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN “To a Maid Engaged to Joseph” UMH 215

*OPENING PRAYER (unison) Kathleen Meredith

Holy One, we gather today at the start of this Advent season with expectant hearts. Slow us down, God. Calm our hearts. Still our minds. Help us to be present to your Holy Spirit nudges, so we can witness the unexpected ways you are at work. O Come, O Come, Prince of Peace. Amen.

ANTHEM “Lo! He Comes, An Infant Stranger” (Mold) Chancel Choir

COMMUNITY PRAYER Rev. Lattig

CHORAL RESPONSE TO PRAYER Chancel Choir

KIDS ROCK CHILDREN’S SERMON Rev. Lattig

SCRIPTURE READING Kathleen Meredith

Isaiah 2:2-5

² In the last days, the mountain of the LORD’s house
will be the highest of all—

the most important place on earth.

It will be raised above the other hills,

and people from all over the world will stream there to worship.

³ People from many nations will come and say,
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of Jacob’s God.

There he will teach us his ways,
and we will walk in his paths.”

For the LORD’s teaching will go out from Zion;
his word will go out from Jerusalem.

⁴ The LORD will mediate between nations
and will settle international disputes.

They will hammer their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks.

Nation will no longer fight against nation,
nor train for war anymore.

⁵ Come, descendants of Jacob,
let us walk in the light of the LORD!

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God for this Word.

ANTHEM “O Come, Precious Savior” (Mengel) Chancel Choir

SERMON IMPOSSIBLE: “Peace Made Possible” Rev. Lattig

OFFERTORY “Oh, Lord Most Holy” (Franck/arr. Gumma) Bell Duet
Shirley Spooner, Evelyn Cornwell

You may leave your offering in the plate in the narthex or scan
one of the QR codes on the back of this bulletin to make your
offering electronically.

*DOXOLOGY UMH 95

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison) Kathleen Meredith

**As we present these tithes and offerings on this first Sunday of
Advent, we give thanks for the gifts you bestow upon us,
especially the gift of Jesus. May you bless these offerings and
multiply them as we strive to do the work of your kingdom here
on earth. May our work bring about peace and love to all. This
we pray in the name of the Prince of Peace, Jesus the Christ.
Amen.**

*CLOSING HYMN “Let There Be Peace on Earth” UMH 431

*BENEDICTION Rev. Lattig

POSTLUDE “March Triumphale” (Karg-Elert) Henry Repp



**A new Advent Bible Study on Mondays at 6 p.m. on Zoom
Starting Monday, November 28 thru December 26, 2022
Call the church office to get the Zoom link
if you wish to join in the discussion.**

Today's Worship Leaders

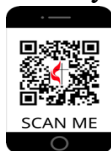
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Bell Duet

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