

First United Methodist Church

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December 11, 2022 — December 17, 2022

"3rd Sunday of Advent"

Usher / Greeter: Bob & Mary Whinnen Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Bette Jahn Children's Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Poinsettias Fellowship: Char Crosby
Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: Adopt-a-Family Christmas Boxes

Sunday (12/11) Festival of Lessons and Carols, 3 PM at St. Francis De Sales Church
Monday (12/12) Ad Council 1 PM
Tuesday (12/13)
Wednesday (12/14) FUMC Bell Quartet practice with children 8 AM
Thursday (12/15)
Friday (12/16) FUMC Bell Quartet practice with children 8 AM
Saturday (12/17) Kid's Free Movie Event, 1-3 Frozen (PG) 3-5 Home Alone (PG)
Volunteers needed to supervise, Sign-up sheet in conference room

December 18, 2022 — December 24, 2022

"4th Sunday of Advent"

Usher / Greeter: Needed Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Carol Weinert Children's Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Poinsettias Fellowship: Vic & Sharon Vanderville
Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: Adopt-a-Family Christmas Boxes

Monday (12/19)
Tuesday (12/20)
Wednesday (12/21)
Thursday (12/22)
Friday (12/23)
Saturday (12/24) Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 7 PM
Sunday (12/25) No In-person Service; YouTube/Facebook service available



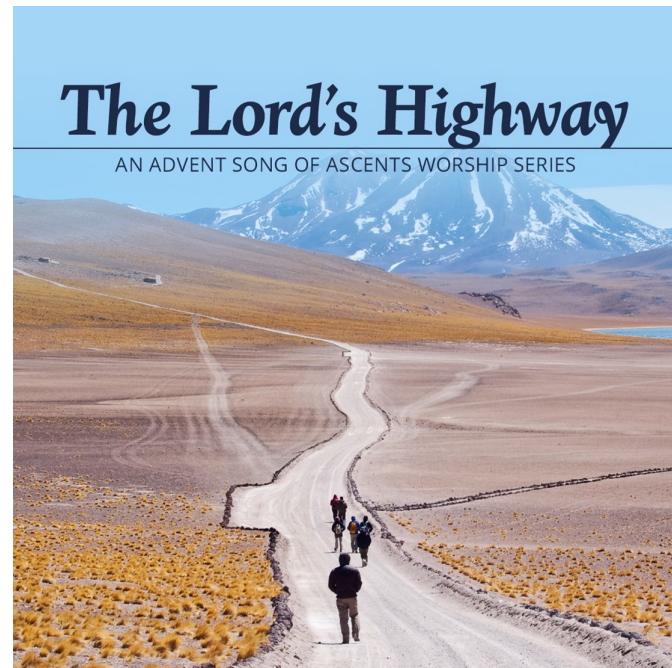
Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Katie Putnam, Mary Prater, Kathleen Haynes, Bob Whinnen, Phyllis Burge, Jo Nell Rubick, Martha Weeks, Joel Prater, Ted Burson, Penny Tracy, Billings family, Kali Lewis, Connie Whitsitt, Kelsey family health concerns.



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December 11, 2022
“3rd Sunday of Advent”



WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE Cradle Song E Higgins

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER—INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE: JAMES 5:7-10

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE

***PRAISE CHORUS:** TFWS 2090 Verse 3 Light the Advent Candle

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Be patient until the coming of the Lord. As a farmer waits patiently for the rain to fall and for the crops to grow and ripen, so we must be patient. Surely the Lord will come!

P: We are an impatient people. We want to see results right away, and we want problems to be solved immediately. We cannot even wait for the red light to turn green without grumbling about how long it takes!

L: Be patient. The Lord will come when He comes. While we are waiting, we should be preparing the way. Cease your grumbling, and work to make the pathway smooth. The Messiah comes soon.

P: How will we know Him when He gets here? Many people claim to know when He is coming, but they are always proven wrong when He doesn’t show up when they claim He will.

L: God has already sent a messenger to go before Him and to announce His arrival. Heed His words and actions, and observe. You will know Him by His love.

P: O God, open our eyes, that we may recognize Your Son when we see Him. Open our minds, that we may understand His message and His actions. Open our hearts, that we may receive Him into our lives.

***OPENING HYMN:** UMH 213 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

***APOSTLE’S CREED:** UMH 881

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN’S TIME

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** UMH 218 It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

GOSPEL READING Luke 1:46b-55

SERMON The Lord’s Highway

PRAYER TIME Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

PRAYER HYMN
 Hear Our Prayer, O Lord,
 Hear Our Prayer, O Lord,
 Incline Thine ear to us,
 And grant us Thy peace. (2x)
 Amen

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY The Holly and the Ivy English Carol

***DOXOLOGY:** UMH 95 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OFFERTORY PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN:** UMH 437 (Music Tune) This Is My Song
 We Pray For Peace (Hymn for Ukraine)

***BENEDICTION**

***PARTING HYMN:** UMH Front Cover Go Now In Peace

POSTLUDE: Celebrate Christmas R. Hughes

* DENOTES CONGREGATION STANDING (AS ABLE)

* PLEASE BE SURE TO SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING THE WORSHIP SERVICE