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*The Chancel flowers on the Altar are dedicated
in memory of our mother, Lois Matthews
Given by Mary Behan and Kathey Fairchild*



“Worship God, Love One Another, Serve the World”



**December 11, 2022
8:25 am
Daymark Worship**

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Daymark Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Prayer

Song of Preparation “Come Thou Long Expected Jesus” Angie Cooper
Dave Johnson

*Greeting

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

We are ready, O Lord, to behold the presence of your spirit among us.

Bless our spirits with openness and joy!

We have come on this journey seeking hope and peace.

You, O Lord, have poured your spirit on us!

*Hymn UMH #211 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (verses 5,6, and 7)

*Opening Prayer of Confession

God of majesty and glory, we are thirsty for your grace. You made a way for us in the wilderness, and still, in our foolishness, we go astray. We hide our eyes from your presence. We do not listen to your word. We are lifeless when we ought to dance and speechless when we ought to sing. Forgive us, Lord. Speak peace to our fearful hearts, strengthen our weak hands, and make firm our feeble knees as we seek to follow in your way. AMEN.

*Assurance of Pardon

Now return to the Lord with joy and gladness.

Sing a song of redemption! Let sorrow and sighing be no more.

In the name of Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God! Amen.

*The Peace *(As forgiven, reconciled people, let us show one another signs of reconciliation & love.)*

First Scripture Lesson Isaiah 35:1-10 Joanne Scholl

Lighting of the Advent Candle

FWS #2090 “Light the Advent Candle”

Tom and Joanne Scholl

Reception of New Member: Nanci McGarvey

The Baptismal Covenant UMH page 33

Open Altar, Open Heart *(As "Call to Prayer" is sung, all are invited to come to the altar for morning prayer led by a Pastor).*

Call to Prayer “One Day at a Time” Angie Cooper, Dave Johnson

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Gloria Patri UMH #71

Special Music “This Christmas” Angie Cooper
Terri Boykin

*Gospel Lesson “Matthew 11:2-11

Sermon “When Dry Land Becomes Glad”

Response to the Word

Giving of our Tithes, Offerings, and Connection Cards

Offertory “Love is Come Again” Terri Boykin

*Doxology UMH #94

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn UMH #246 “Joy To The World”

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude “Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light”

* Please stand as you are able.