Mount Olivet United Methodist Church

December 8, 2019

Second Sunday of Advent 10:00 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

No. 196

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Lauren Borland

Children's Church will be offered today with Elizabeth Gallop and Emily Hall

PASTORAL PRAYER Matt Seals

Have You Heard?

Directed by Nathan Schierer Narrators: Jan & Lance Culpepper

CHRISTMAS DAY IN THE MORNING
CELTIC NOEL

ADVENT CANDLE

HOPE OF THE WORLD

Lighting of the Candles: Jan & Lance Culpepper

COME MESSIAH, COME EMMANUEL HAVE YOU HEARD?

REJOICE WITH JOY TO THE WORLD

OFFERTORY THE DARKEST MIDNIGHT IN DECEMBER

Violinist: Sue Waters

CELTIC CHRISTMAS LULLABY
O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

WHEN I THINK ABOUT CHRISTMAS

Featuring: The Alto Section

HOMILY SEEKING HOPE

Nathan Schierer

** COME AND ADORE HIM **

WEXFORD CAROL / FINALE

Soloist: Loretta Fertel

CLOSING & BENEDICTION Matt Seals

COME, THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS

Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; Dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King, Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone; By thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

ADVENT READING

Every journey faces the unknown. And anxiety can sometimes overwhelm us. There is too much to do; our lists are long; our calendars are filled up; we worry that something will go wrong, or we won't end up in the right place or take the right route. Getting lost is a real possibility on a journey. And yet. We claim hope for the journey, because we follow the one who will travel with us and sustain us on the way. Isaiah says that there is one who is to come who will be the fulfillment of all our hope. The Spirit of the Lord will rest on this one, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. We place our hope in this one. We light the candles of peace and of hope to give us strength for the journey. Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, that God may teach us the ways of peace and hope.

ALL: Come, O Come, Emmanuel

THE DARKEST MIDNIGHT IN DECEMBER (for reflection)

The darkest midnight in December,
No snow, no hail, nor winter storm,
Shall hinder us for to remember,
The Babe that on this night was born.
With shepherds we are come to see,
This lovely Infants glorious charms,
Born of a maid as prophets said,
The God of love in Mary's arms.

No earthly gifts can we present Him,
No gold nor myrrh nor odours sweet.
But if with hearts we can content Him
We humbly lay them at his feet.
'Twas but pure love that from above
Brought Him to save us from all harms
So let us sing and welcome Him,
The God of Love in Mary's arms.

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem Come and behold Him, born the King of angels!

^{**} Please join us in singing when prompted. Words are printed to the right. **

<u>Soprano</u>		<u>Alto</u>	Tenor	Bass
Carol Adams	Laura Long	Linda Cheeseman	George Cheeseman	S.C. Basnight
Metta Austin	Reha Otté	Deb Hill	Amy Gross	Dan Bottjen
Loretta Fertal	Rose Skinner	Teresa Griffin	Arturo Lara	Mike Harris
Allyson Kisse	Marjalene Thomas	Janice O'Neal	Paul Lester	Scott Hill
Pat Lester		Mariah Schierer		Tommy Midgett
		Sue Waters		Jenny Warth

Nursery Dec 8	Next Sunday, Dec. 15	Children's Church Next Sunday, Dec. 15
10AM Combined	8:30 Jessica Twiford	8:30- Sarah Smith
Hannah Barnes	11:00 Kathryn Fearing	11:00- Rita Shaffer

NURSERY is on the first floor. If you need help finding the nursery, one of our ushers would be happy to assist you. **CHILDREN'S CHURCH** is offered after Children's Moment. All children are invited to worship God on their level during the service.

