

First United Methodist Church

Second Sunday of Advent

December 5, 2021



“John the Baptist? At Christmas?”

Luke 3: 2-18

*Welcome! We pray that worship here at First United Methodist is a blessing for you, even as your presence blesses us. The Church newsletter, large print hymnals, name tags, and extra masks are available in the welcoming area. Children are **always welcome** in worship, and we embrace their presence, their joy, and the fun things they often do and say as we worship God. In the welcoming area we have crayons and children’s bulletins available. Please fill out the clipboard at the end of your row to register your attendance and tell us a little more about you.*

“This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!”

Order of Worship

December 5, 2021

10:30 AM

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lee Anne Strickland

(At this time please register your in-person attendance on the clipboards placed on each pew; or if you are watching on-line register at www.1umcm.com and continue sending us your comments via Facebook, Twitter, email, etc.)

*“May the Peace of Christ be with you. . . . **and also with you.**”*

TRINITY CHIMES

*CALL TO WORSHIP

“Arise, Shine”

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*WORDS OF INVITATION

L: John came out of the wilderness to preach repentance;
He preaches to us still.

P: **Make straight the paths we now walk
and prepare the way for God’s reign of justice and love.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

“Heralds of Christ”

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Of the United Church of Canada

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*GLORIA PATRI

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ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

The Candle of Peace

PRAISES & PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN OF MEDITATION

“Jesus, Name Above All Names”

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CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Pastor Chris

INVITATION TO OFFERING

During this time we worship by the giving of our gifts and offerings for the work of the church in ministry and mission. For those who are watching online, you may mail your gifts to First United Methodist Church, P O Box 157, Madisonville, TN 37354, or go to our website: 1umcm.com/tithing for directions.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Tell the World”

Choir

***DOXOLOGY**

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SCRIPTURE

Luke 3: 2-18 (NRSV)

Leader: The Word of God, for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“John the Baptist? At Christmas?”

Rev. Chris Black

HOLY COMMUNION

***CLOSING HYMN**

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

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***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

“Emmanuel, Emmanuel”

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***TRINITY CHIMES**

POSTLUDE

** Please stand as you are able.*

Serve the Lord this week where you are able!

“Invite someone to share Worship with you either in-person or by sharing our on-line service info with them.”

Check Out the Announcements Listed Below!!



- **Drop-in Baby Shower TODAY**, Dec 5th from 1 to 2:30 PM. Several members of our church family will be hosting a 'drop-in' shower for Rev. Black's family as they prepare to welcome their new little girl in mid-January. Julie and Chris welcomed Sydney in the summer of 2017, but their new addition will be a winter baby. So, they will definitely need some warm snuggly baby clothes, and of course lots of diapers (Huggies). Here is the link to a gift registry that the Black's have created for family and friends: babylist.com/julie-black-registry Type this link into your browser for ideas.
- The **Bible Study** (*The Journey*, taught by Pastor Chris) will continue on Wednesday mornings at 10 AM and evenings at 7 PM.
- **United Methodist Men** will meet on Sunday, Dec 12 at 9 AM in the fellowship hall. Breakfast will be served. All men of the church are invited to attend.
- The Choir will present the cantata "*Silent Night! Holy Night!*" on Sunday, Dec 12 during the morning worship service.
- **Church Family Covered Dish Supper and Children's Christmas Program** Wednesday, Dec 15th. Supper at 6 PM, children's program after supper. Bring a dish or two of food to share and join in the fellowship and fun.

The coffee bar is hosted today by Janet Tweed.

Trustee for this week is Mike Tallent.



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