ORDER OF WORSHIP

(*) Please stand as you are able (UMH) United Methodist Hymnal (TFWS) The Faith We Sing

CHIMES

MORNING GREETING

L: Trust the Advent journey. Walk this Holy Way, trusting the One who promises us love, joy, peace, and hope.

PRELUDE

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice (M. Bedford)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*INVITATION TO WORSHIP

L: We gather today in great hope,

P: longing to see the glory of the Lord.

L: The Almighty has done great things for us.

P: Holy is God's name.

*OPENING HYMN

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice – UMH # 224 (1-3)

*LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLES

L: We light this candle to help shine the hope of Christ throughout the world.

P: May the hope of Christ shine through us as we share this light with the world. Amen.

*GREETING IN THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRIST

ANTHEM

A Time for Advent (Harris) - Fire Within Us

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

Malaika Phiri

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Jesus Loves the Little Children - On Screen

JOYS & CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER

L: Let us pray together ...

A: God of justice, healing and love, we come this morning in this season of waiting and longing and hope: to listen for Your voice, to hear Your call, and to see transformation. May this time of worship strengthen our resolve to live lives of justice and radical love. We pray these things as we come to our time of silent prayer...

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer - UMH # 895

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Angel Gabriel (Near) - Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:46-55 - Common English Bible

SERMON

Highly Favored - Rev. Scott Andrews

OFFERING

L: As our Advent continues, we celebrate all the blessings that God entrusts us. May our giving today reflect our gratitude.

OFFERTORY

Song of Mary (Rachmaninoff/Lopez, Mock/Lopez) Mark Goodrich, tenor

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow - UMH # 94

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN

Like a Child - TFWS # 2092 (1-3)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

The King Shall Come (M. Burlhardt)

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Liturgist: Peggy Dougherty

Advent Candles: Mark Goodrich & James Petri

Director of Choirs: Anna DeMichele

Organist: James Petri Pianist: Jamie Dyer

Audio/Visual Tech: Cameron Wilkinson

Student Intern: Sela Taupaki Preaching: Rev. Scott Andrews

<u>GROW</u>

Mary said, "With all my heart I glorify the Lord! In the depths of who I am I rejoice in God my savior. God has looked with favor on the low status of God's servant. Look! From now on, everyone will consider me highly favored because the Mighty One has done great things for me."

"Holy is God's name."

"God shows mercy to everyone, from one generation to the next, who honors God as Lord."

"God has shown strength with God's arm. God has scattered those with arrogant thoughts and proud inclinations. God has pulled the powerful down from their thrones and lifted up the lowly."

"God has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty-handed. God has come to the aid of God's servant Israel, remembering God's mercy, just as God promised to our ancestors, to Abraham and to Abraham's descendants forever."

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months, and then returned to her home.

~ Luke 1:46-55 - Common English Bible ~

PRAY

Armistead Family Mary Neher Rachel Arthur Charles & May Parks Johnathan Phillips April Behrendt Bill Boelter **Judy Reeves** Diane Bruce Juanita Richards **Burkholder Family** Laura Richardson Robecca Sardar Cynthia Ching **Nicole Cummings** Sam Sardar Dorothy Dawson **Derrick Smith** Enzo Fadale Charlie & Sela Taupaki Ruthanne Trujillo Fairris Family **Dorothy Wallace** Mary Ellen Flores Michael Flowers **David Walker** Eric Gratton Jessica Weber Constance Green **Bruce & Gail Wested** Carlene Hamm Charlotte White Michael Hamm All Military Members Paige Hardin All Those Facing War **Hogan Family** All Those Facing Fires **Knox Family** LB First Responders Christine McBride Cal-Pac Leadership Monell Family **CHUMC** Leadership

STUDY

Monday - James 5:7-18
Tuesday - Matthew 1:18-25
Wednesday - Isaiah 40:1-11
Thursday - Ezekiel 34:17-31
Friday - Isaiah 9:1-7
Saturday -Philippians 4:4-9
Sunday - Isaiah 7:10-16, Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19,
Romans 1:1-7, Matthew 1:18-25



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