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Jerseyville United Methodist Church

Worship Service 12pm, Nov 30, 2025, 1st Sunday of Advent

❖ = Those who are comfortable standing, please rise

Prelude: "The Savior Is Waiting" (Family of God 435)

Meditation:

"But as for me, I will hope continually and will praise you yet more and more." (Psalm 71:14)

❖Call to Worship

Leader: Today we light the first candle of Advent, the Candle of Hope. In times of waiting and uncertainty, God's promise still holds. People: When hope feels too late, God's mercy arrives right on time. Like Zechariah and Elizabeth, we wait and wonder if God still remembers us.

Leader: Yet God is faithful, bringing life where we least expect it. We light this candle to remind us that hope is born even in silence. Come, Lord Jesus. Kindle your hope in our hearts again.

People: God of hope, as this light shines, renew our trust in your promises. When our waiting grows weary, strengthen us with your faithfulness. Make us bearers of hope in our world.

Amen. (Light the first candle)

❖Hymn (UMH 73) "O Worship the King"

Opening Prayer (Together):

God of steadfast love, we come before you in this season of waiting. When our hope feels faint, strengthen us. When your promises seem delayed, remind us that your timing brings life. Let our worship awaken trust in your goodness and prepare our hearts for your coming. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Offering God's Tithes and Our Gifts

❖Doxology (UMH 95)

Prayer of Dedication (Together)

Gracious God, you remember your people and fulfill your word in ways beyond our sight. Receive these gifts as our act of hope. Use them to bring light where there is waiting and healing where there is loss. Through Christ our Redeemer we pray. Amen.

Prayers and Joys of the People of God

The Lord's Prayer (UMH 895)

♦ Hymn (UMH 172) "My Jesus, I Love Thee"

♦ Scripture Reading:Luke 1:5-25

Sermon: "An Unlikely Advent: When Hope Feels Too Late"

Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Prayer of Confession (Together):

God of mercy, we confess that we try to rush the timing and shape endings by our own strength. We admit that we hide disappointment instead of naming it honestly before you. Forgive us for impatience, fear, and for the moments we failed to love you and our neighbors well. Renew us with true hope. Strengthen us for faithful obedience in the middle seasons. Make us honest, humble, steady followers of Jesus. Amen.

♦ Hymn (UMH 396) "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

Benediction

Postlude: "All Praise to Thee, My God" (Family of God 518)

Jerseyville UMC Announcements

1. Jerseyville Bible Study via Zoom

Tuesdays at 10 a.m. - December 2, 9, and 16.

2. Jerseyville Lunch Outing

Thursday, December 4 at 12 p.m. - Lunch at Chili's.

3. Community Concert at Ardena Historic Schoolhouse

Saturday, December 6 at 1:30 p.m.

Enjoy music by Pastor Yoseb and family

4. Church Decorating Sunday

Sunday, December 7 - Stay after worship to help decorate the church for Christmas.

5. Christmas Eve Service

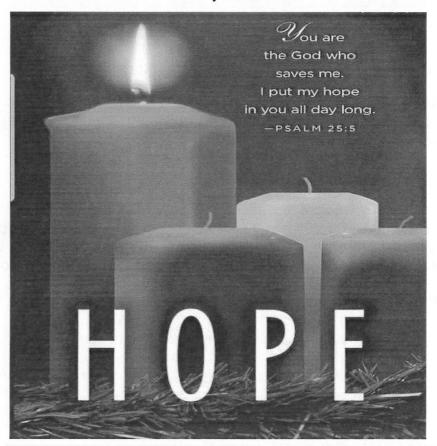
Tuesday, December 24 at 4:30 p.m.

Joint Christmas Eve service with First UMC, Freehold

Worship on Zoom - Use your Zoom app, Click the link on jerseyvilleumc.org or call (646) 876-9923. Both the Zoom app & telephone have the same Meeting ID: 882 289 126

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Sunday Worship ~ 12:00 PM

Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

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