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FAIRVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 29, 2026 11:00 A.M.

*Please rise as you are able or in your hearts.

**Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for worship.

****PRELUDE** Veni, Veni, Emmanuel Arr. by Paul Fey

WELCOME AND WORDS OF COMMUNITY

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Thanking God for one another,

People: we gather to worship and pray.

Leader: Richly blessed in everything we need,

People: we gather in trust and hope.

Leader: Loved faithfully in Christ Jesus,

People: we gather to sing and rejoice.

ALL: AMEN.

***GATHERING HYMN** Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus UMH # 196

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

Today's Advent Candle Lighter and Reader Judy Gebhart & Ed Rapp of the Open Door Class

Reader: The prophet Isaiah declares, "From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him" (Isaiah 64:4 NRSV). Today, we continue to wait and call out in hope for God's restoration to meet us here, believing that God knows our struggles and works even now for the fulfillment of our salvation.

All: When God feels far away, and our lament feels too heavy to bear, we remember God's steadfast love. May this love empower us to wait and watch in hope for the day when God's kingdom comes on earth as it is in heaven.

Reader: We light this candle of hope as a sign of God's promises, that we might persevere in hope, a hope grounded not in wishes and whims but in the trustworthy and persistent love of God already at work among us to save and restore all creation.

LIGHT THE FIRST CANDLE OF THE ADVENT WREATH

CHOIR ANTHEM Prepare! (Hannibal/Nolan)
CHILDREN'S MOMENT Where Children Belong TFWS # 2233
Rev. E. Neil Gaiser

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**
PRAYER CHORUS Emmanuel, Emmanuel UMH # 204 (sing 2x)
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
PASTORAL PRAYER
PRAYERS OF PETITION
After each petition, we enter into the prayer together with these words:
Pastor: Lord in Your mercy,
People: Hear our Prayer.
THE LORD'S PRAYER
***HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**
All People That on Earth Do Dwell UMH # 75 (v. 1-2, 4)
***SCRIPTURE LESSON** Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
Series: The Songs That Carry Us to Christmas
Week One
SERMON Let Me See Your Face Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL
OFFERTORY SENTENCE
OFFERTORY Cantabile in D Major Paul Fey
***DOXOLOGY** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH # 94
***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**
***SENDING HYMN** People, Look East UMH # 202

***BENEDICTION**

Leader: Revived and restored by God's love,
People: we will share holy love with the world.
Leader: With Christ's light to guide the way,
People: we will brighten the world with love.
ALL: AMEN.

POSTLUDE

Concerto based on Lyons and Westminster Abbey by Paul Fey

ACTIVITIES – NOV. 30 – Dec. 6

UMCH Family Service
United Methodist Children's Home
5th Sunday Offering TODAY

Monday, November 30
Pantry 9 A.M.
UWIF Christmas Luncheon & Auction 12:30 P.M.
Wednesday, December 2
Renewal Hour Bible Study 3:30 P.M.
Pantry 6 P.M.
Thursday, December 3
Bells Rehearsal 6:30 P.M.
Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:15 P.M.
Friday, December 4
Pantry 9 A.M.
Saturday, December 5
Open Door Christmas Party
at MCL 4485 Far Hills Ave. 4:30 P.M.
Sunday, December 6
Adult Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Worship Service 11 A.M.
Kids' Bible Class 11 A.M.

OMEGA CDC HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE NOV. 21 - DEC 17 – SEE QR CODE

Donate a toy for a child in NW Dayton - Drop Off: Fairview UMC- Mon – Fri 9am – 1pm

PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer ministry after worship each Sunday. For those who have special prayer requests, please see someone from the Prayer Ministry in the Narthex.

Church Staff
Pastor Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL,
Administrative Assistant Carol McDougle,
Director of Music
Michelle Forshaw, ***Church Musician*** Barbara Kaskinen, ***Treasurer*** Fred Poland, ***Audio Visual Technician***
Roger Christian, ***Church Custodian*** Vance Garner
Kids' Bible Class Attendant Oscar Ndayisaba

TODAY'S SERVANT LEADERS

WORSHIP LEADER
Art Mehaffey
GREETERS
Mike Zuber
TRUSTEE
Jan Mains
KIDS' BIBLE CLASS TEACHER
Jackie Mergler

VAN DRIVER FOR DEC. 6

Van Request: -- John 937-277-6387
To ride the van, you must make your request the day before or you will not be picked up!

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR WEEK DEC. 6

Isaiah 40:1-11, Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13, 2 Peter 3:8-15a
Mark 1:1-8

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