NOVEMBER 29, 2026 | FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT- HOPE

CENTERING VIDEO "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" Enya

OPENING WORDS: Isaiah 9:1-7

OPENING HYMN "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" UMH 196
WELCOME Susan Stevens

CALL TO WORSHIP
In this Advent of expectation, draw us together in unity,

that our praise and worship might echo in these walls and also through our lives.

In this Advent of expectation draw us together in mission,

that the hope within might be the song we sing, and the melody of our lives.

In this Advent of expectation, draw us together in service,

that the path we follow might lead us from a stable to a glimpse of eternity

Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

***HYMN** "In the Bleak Midwinter" UMH 221

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY
RESPONSE "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

PRAYER OF DEDICATION
PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF ASSURANCE

(11 AM) ANTHEM
GOSPEL READING: Matthew 24:36-44
The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God**

SERMON "Waiting in Hope" Susan Stevens
LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

***HYMN OF SENDING** "Glory (Let There Be Peace)" Matt Maher

BENEDICTION

9:30 AM WORSHIP LEADERS
Acolyte: Ryan Robbins
Advent Reader: Wright Family
Lay Reader: Joanne Robbins
Ushers: Sean Robbins

11:00 AM WORSHIP LEADERS
Acolyte: Sarah Hanson
Advent Reader: Carole Zimmerman and Elaine Nicholls
Lay Reader: Jane Leffel
Ushers: Margie Matz

NMUMC by the Numbers: November 22, 2026

8:15 AM: 17 9:30 AM: 51 11:00 AM: 48 Online: 38
Children's Sunday School: 25 Adult Sunday School: 5

Total Offering: $2,140.00 *Regular Offering:* $1,295.00
Hope4Kids: $15.00 New Ministry Center: $570.00
NM Ctr. Matching Grant: $200.00 Pastor's Discretion: $60.00
**Amount Needed to Meet Weekly Budget: $5,862.53*

Church Meetings

Monday, November 30: 9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal – 5:30 PM – ED Building
Wednesday, December 2: Online Bible Study – 7:00 PM – Contact Patty R.
Thursday, December 3: 11:00 AM Choir Rehearsal – 6:30 PM – ED Building
Friday, December 4: Circle of Friends Setup – 10:00 AM - Schoolhouse
Friday, December 4: Cancer Support Group – 7:00 PM – Schoolhouse
Saturday, Dec. 5: Christian Believers Session – 10:00 AM – ED Building Kitchen
Saturday, Dec. 5: Christmas in New Market– 1:00 PM – Schoolhouse
Sunday, Dec. 6: Youth Bell Choir Rehearsal – 9:30 AM – ED Building Kitchen
Sunday, December 6: Communion Sunday

Christmas in New Market Parade

We are inviting anyone who is interested in walking in the parade with the Sunday School to join us on December 5th at 11:45 AM in the church parking lot. We will ride on the preschool floats to New Market Elementary to join the parade lineup. The wagons must leave by 12:15 PM, so it is important to be on time. The parade starts at 1 PM. For more information, contact Pastor Scott.

Winter Coat Drive Collection: November 30- March 1st

Please help families in need by donating new, clean, and/or gently used winter coats, scarves, hats, gloves and boots. Contact Susan Stevens for more info: 240-277-2582.

True Advent Character: Advent Devotionals

Daily Devotions during Advent will be provided the Society St. Andrew "True Advent Character" booklet available in the rear of the sanctuary. We encourage everyone to take a devotional home for this Advent Season.

For each day of Advent, the Society of St. Andrew devotional offers scripture, thoughtful reflections, and inspiring prayers. Written by faithful voices from across the country, these devotions bring familiar figures like Mary and John the Baptist together with faith ancestors like Esther and Habakkuk.

Complete with Sunday hymn reflections, lectionary alignment, and a vision for feeding hungry neighbors, this daily guide invites you to kindle small, powerful flames of faith that challenge the turmoil around us.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

2:00 PM & 4:00 PM CHILDREN'S CANDLELIGHT

6:00 PM & 8:00 PM TRADITIONAL CANDLELIGHT

GIVE ONLINE

Pastor Scott's Contact Information: Pastorscott62@gmail.com
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ADVENT SEASON

HOPE



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