

## Worship December 7, 2025

### Prelude

### Welcome

### Lighting our Advent Wreath:

*Let us now open our hearts to Christ's light as the Nash family lights our second Advent candle, the candle of Love. You are invited to share in the responses as led.*

As we light our candle of Love, we pray for Love this day.

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We open to see the Sacred reflected in all things.

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**Response to the light:** [Congregation sings]

**Upon this moment, upon this people, upon this place, the holy comes.**

**And sacred knowing brings sacred being for sacred doing of God's plan.**

### Opening Prayer:

Living God, Christ Mystery, Spirit of Love, we give you thanks for this holy gathering of Beloveds. As we take in the love you offer, may we be a reflection of your light, expanding the sacred presence you have promised into the sacred presence we can offer. Amen.

### Children's Moment

Hymn: People, Look East

*UMH #202, vs. 1, 3, 4*

### Passing of the Peace

Invitation to Prayer: Emmanuel

*UMH 204*

Prayer of the People:

**(Response)** *Come, Lord Jesus, Hear our prayer*

### Invitation to Offering

**Offertory: Offertory:** Christ Be Magnified

*Cody Carnes*

Praise Team

**Doxology** – [tune of What Child is This]

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,**

**Praise God all creatures here below**

**Praise God all heavens and the earth, Reflecting the sacred story.**

**This, this is Christ the One who mirrors love for all of us.**

**Haste, haste to bring him laud, the Word of time eternal.**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Hymn of Praise:** Of the Father's Love Begotten

*UMH #184*

### Video Bumper

**Scripture:** Matthew 3:1-12 NRSVue

(reader) *The Word of the Lord!*

**(All) Thanks be to God!**

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**Message:** *Reflecting the Sacred: Sacred People*

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion (see insert)**

**Opportunities Coming Soon!**

**Blessing:**

**Closing Song:** An Irish Christmas Blessing

*Keith and Kristyn Getty*

**Postlude**

***Please join us for Coffee Fellowship  
after the service!***

**Our Staff:**

*Pastor: Rev. Kim Poer  
Office Administrator: Nancy Volgamore  
Music Director: Matthew Compton  
Accompanist: Josh Billings  
Family Ministries: Tiffiney Nordby  
Preschool Director: Ashley Skelton*

**TODAY'S SERVANTS:**

***Advent Candles:*** The Nash Family  
***Reader:*** Mikaela Carr  
***Greeters:*** Rich & Sandy Bippes  
***Ushers:*** Jean Berkheiser & Elaine Gilbert  
***Communion Servers:*** Winston & Jan Asai and Sandie Hollister  
***A/V Booth:*** Dan Kingsley & Brian Poer  
***Information Desk:*** Jan Hamman  
***Sunday School Volunteer:*** Angie Williams  
***Coffee Hosts:*** Terry & Kristie Brown

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*We are a welcoming United Methodist Church congregation that worships together as disciples of Jesus Christ, uniting in fellowship, missions and service.*