

## Advent Worship Series

### "Opening Doors"

December 7, 2025

## Welcome and Announcements

### Lighting the Candle of PEACE

Leader: In a world driven by fear, we are called to a higher purpose: peace.

**Congregation: The peace of Christ requires courage, a willingness to trust in God's provision.**

Leader: Fear demands we shut our doors, locking out the world in self-preservation.

**Congregation: God calls us to courageously open those doors, welcoming the stranger and neighbor alike.**

Leader: Let us find our strength not in our security, but in the Prince of Peace.

**All: With open doors and open hearts, we light this candle of PEACE. AMEN**

### Lifting Our Voices in Praise & Worship

*Hark The Herald Angels Sing / King Of Heaven*

*Glory (Let There Be Peace)*

*Silent Night (Heavenly Peace)*

### Children's Moment:

### Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading: Joshua 1:9, Ephesians 6:10-18

Message: Courage to Open the Door Pastor Will Clark

### Holy Communion

### Prayers of the People

### Giving Back to God

Collected at end of service or give online @ iofumc.org.

Sending Forth *They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love*



## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

All worship services will remain available on our YouTube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/IsleOfFaith/>

[www.iofumc.org](http://www.iofumc.org)

### ♦ Sunday, Dec 7 — Worship 9:30am

#### Parent's Day Out, 10:30am-1pm

New Members Class, 11am, Pastor Will's Office

Marilyn Clark's Sunday School Class, 11am, large conference room

Ray Hughes Sunday School Class, 11am, Mission Hall

Sweet Spirit Sunday School Class, 11am, small conference room

IOFX Youth and IOF Kids, upstairs

### ♦ Tuesday, Dec 9 — Men's Bible Study, 8:45am, large conference room

SPRC Meeting, 6pm, large conference room

### ♦ Wednesday, Dec 10 — God's People Pray Group, 9am, Prayer Chapel

**CDC Christmas Program for Part Time Students, 11:30am, All are welcome.**

Worship Rehearsal, 6-8pm, Sanctuary

### ♦ Sunday, Dec 14 — Worship 9:30am

Sunday School Classes start at 11am

**Love On The Road Community Outreach, 12pm**

We need volunteers to run slides during worship. We are also looking for musicians who play an instrument like piano or guitar. Contact Jude Allen

**Parents Day Out is TODAY, right after church, 10:30-1 pm. We need volunteers!**

**The CDC Christmas Program is Dec 15th, 4-8pm. All are invited to come see the children perform.**

**Christmas Eve Services will be held at 5pm and 9:30pm. Children are asked to arrive by 3:45pm.**

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**Serve Joyfully**  
**Lead Courageously**

