

**Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church
Sunday, November 30, 2025
First Sunday of Advent
Hanging of the Greens**

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Pastor Dave Wright

Doyle Waybright

Call to Worship

Doyle

Prepare the way of the Lord.

We gather for the advent of Christ

We prepare for a Holy birth and celebration!

We prepare for the coming of the Lord.

Let us worship our God.

Opening Prayer

Doyle

Lighting of the Advent Candles, Week One: Hope

Nadja Muchow & Susan Nunamaker

As we gather today, we remember the promised gifts of the Messiah. In the lighting of one candle, we set our gaze upon the beacons that sustain us through sleepless nights and restless days. We bear this light together. We light this candle for Hope.

***Hymn #154 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel**

***Unison Prayer of Confession**

O promised Christ: We are a world at war. Our peace depends on your coming. We are a sinful people. Our pardon depends on your coming. We are full of good intentions but weak at keeping promises; our only hope of doing God's will is that you should come and help us do it. Lord Christ, Word made flesh, our world waits for

(A time of silent prayer will be kept.)

***Hymn #155 Comfort, Comfort Now My People**

In ancient times the cedar was revered as the tree of royalty. It also signified immortality, and was used for purification. We have placed this tree in the sanctuary as a symbol of Christ, who reigns as King forever, and whose coming will purify our hearts.

Responsive Scripture Lesson: Lanny Winters
Isaiah 2:1-5 (See screen.)

Scripture Lesson: John 1:9-14 Pastor Brian Moss
Sermon: "The Glory of Jesus Christ"

***Affirmation of Faith**
When the fullness of time came God sent his Son, his eternal wisdom, the substance of his own glory, into this world, who took the nature of humanity from the substance of a woman, a virgin, by means of the Holy Ghost. And so was born the “just seed of David,” the

“Angel of the great counsel of God,” the very Messiah promised, whom we confess and acknowledge to be Emmanuel, true God and true man, two perfect natures united and joined in one person.
(From the Scots Confession.)

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***Doxology #34**

***Prayer of Dedication** Doyle

Prayers of the People

The Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn #153 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus**

***Benediction**

I Thessalonians 5:23-24 (See screen.)

***Hymn #177 Jesus, Name Above All Names**

Postlude: *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* arr. Labenske

(*Those who are able, please stand.)

Leading Worship: Pastor Brian Moss

Organist / Choir Director: Deb Wolf

Duty Elder: Doyle Waybright

Lighting of the Advent Candles:

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