

December 1st, 2024

Preludes:

“Advent Hymn”
“Heaven Everywhere”
“Hey Moon”

Welcome

Call to Worship:

Something stirs deep within us – a longing, a hope,
A thirst for joy, a hunger for peace, a yearning for blessing.
We know deep within that our hopes and fears
Will be met by angel songs and baby sighs.
It is Advent -
Season of waiting, hoping, yearning.
Advent -
Time to go home.

Opening Prayer:

Righteous one, to you alone we lift our souls; and you alone, we place our trust; for you alone we wait all day long. For you are the God of our salvation, abounding in mercy and steadfast love. Help us remain alert and watchful for the coming of your promised one -- the one who comes with power and glory, the one drawing near to bring our salvation. Amen

*Song of Praise

“Mighty To Save”

The Lighting of the First Advent Candle

Children's Message

“Cookie Cutter Christmas-The Tree”

Joys and Concerns

Prayers for the People

*GLORIA PATRI

UMH 70

Choir Anthem

“Will We Know Him”

The New Testament Lesson: Luke 21:25-36

Reader: The word of God, For the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Offertory

*DOXOLOGY

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

Holy God of new beginnings, as we share our tithes and offerings with you, we are filled with hope. We enter the season of Advent with expectation; we have left behind us a time of fear, isolation, and uncertainty; and we raise our heads because we know our redemption is coming near. May our gifts be dedicated to help heal the brokenness of our world and to welcome our Messiah into the world once again. In Christ, we pray. Amen

*Hymn

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

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Message:

Come Home for Christmas
Week 1
“Time to Go Home”

Music Ministry

“Come Home For Christmas/
I'll Be Home For Christmas”

Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn

“Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”

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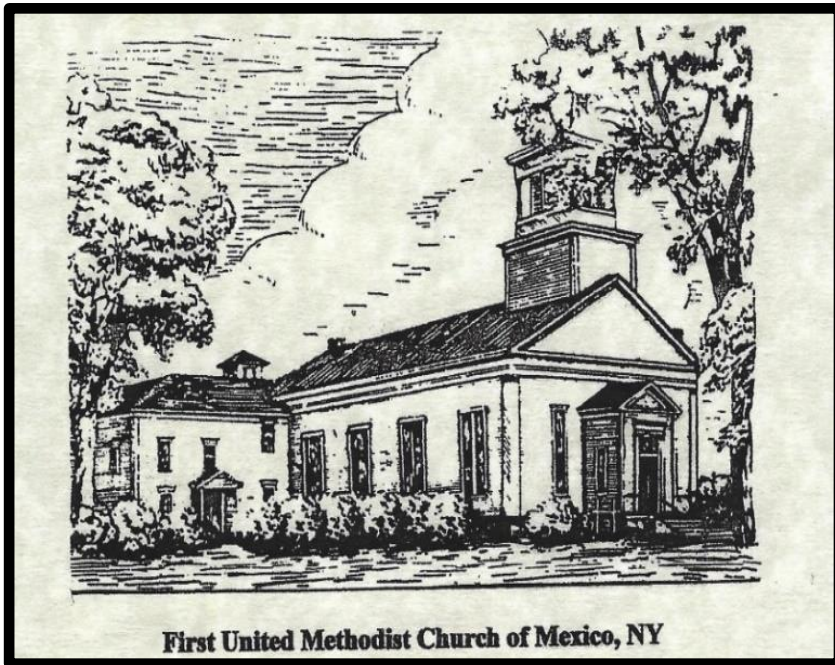
Benediction

Hanging of the Crismons

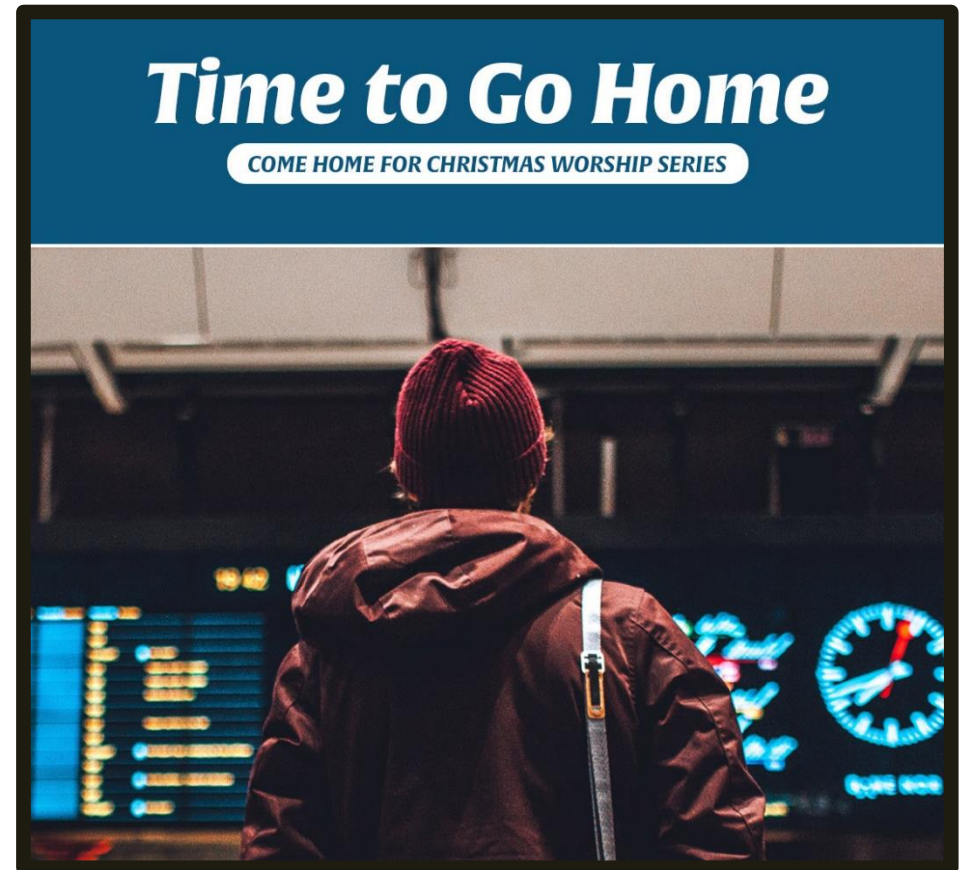
34 “Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you suddenly like a trap. 35 For it will come on all those who live on the face of the whole earth. 36 Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.”
~Luke 21:34-36~

**“Making Disciples of
Jesus Christ for the
transformation of the
world.”**

**First United
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**“All are welcome,
none are turned away!”**



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