

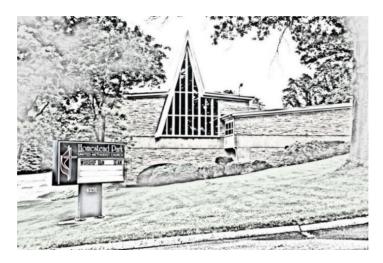
December 01, 2024

10 am Worship

First Sunday of Advent - Hope

Message: Against All Hope!

Scripture: Romans 4: 18-21 NIV



Our Mission

The mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Opening Prayer (unison)

Almighty God, grant us the grace to hope in you with unwavering trust. As we begin this season of Advent, may our hearts be filled with the hope that comes from knowing your promises are true. Amen.

*Call to Worship (responsive)

Pastor: November has ended. December and Advent begin.
All: We find our beginning and our ending in God.
Pastor: Month after month, our God attends us and supports us.
All: For God's company, we offer thanks and praise.
Pastor: Let us worship the God who gives us Jesus Christ:
All: God who is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end, the Living One and our Redeemer, now and forever.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath ~ Hope ~ Bob and Sheila Howden

* Hymn of Preparation Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus #196

Children's Message

* Please stand as you are able.



Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings Offertory *Doxology Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow #95 *Prayer of Dedication

Our Time of Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

* Hymn of Praise Glory be to the Father #70

Scripture Romans 4: 18-21 NIV

¹⁸ Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be." ¹⁹ Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead. ²⁰ Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised.

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Advent Communion

* Hymn of Dedication Soon and Very Soon #706

Benediction

Worship for today is over, but your service to God for the week is just beginning.

weekly schedule	All are welcome! Please contact the office for more information.
Sunday 10am	Worship
Sunday 11am (Prayer Room)	Prayer Meeting
Monday 9 ^{:30} am (Fellowship Hall)	Tai Chi
Monday 6 ^{:30} pm (Fellowship Hall)	Cub Scouts
Monday 7pm (4 th Fl Annex Hall)	Boy Scouts
Tuesday 10am (Fellowship Hall)	Line Dancers
Tuesday 7pm (Fellowship Hall)	Just Recovery
Friday 10am (Fellowship Hall)	Line Dancers
Saturday (Fellowship Hall)	Homeless Ministry



We had a total of 27 Christmas Shoeboxes - Thank You!



Advent Readers Needed! Sunday 12/08 and Christmas Eve 12/24 7pm

A Note from Pastor Don

Members and Friends, Please contact me directly by cell phone text or email if you need to speak with me. My contact information is located in the bulletin as well as on the business cards in the back of the Sanctuary. Thank you.

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Holy Communion Schedule

Holy Communion will be held on the **first Sunday** of **February**, **June**, **August**, **October**, and **December**, as well as on **Ash Wednesday** and **Maundy Thursday**.