

*congregation standing; **bold print** indicates congregation reading in unison.

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i> Tune, 8th or 9th Century; Kevin McChesney, arr.	Handbell Ringers			
WELCOME		Drew Herring			
INTROIT	Of the Father's Love Begotten 13th Century Plainsong	Sanctuary Choir			
 *CALL TO WORSHIP Christmas by Sharlande Sledge Ethan Stephens Word among all words, dwell among us. Very God of very God, live in our world for a while. Vulnerable Child, be our God in human flesh. Holy Babe of Bethlehem, cry our tears with us. Eternity captured in human time, reveal your glory to the nations. Word made flesh, live, breathe, walk among us. *PROCESSIONAL HYMN 103 O Come All Ye Faithful Itight The Church LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH ADVENT CANDLE: LOVE 					
Advent is making peace i Advent is love made visil Life abundant. Advent is	od's good. Advent is embracing hope in fear. n chaos. Advent is finding joy within sorrow. ole. Light in darkness.	Ethan Stephens			
let us find our rest in	<i>Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus</i> ed Jesus, born to set Thy people free; from our fo Thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of a ir desire of every nation, joy of every longing hea	ll the earth Thou art;			

CHILDREN'S LESSON

Jennifer Clatterbuck

(After the children's lesson, preschool children through kindergarten are encouraged to follow their leader to our Extended Session in the preschool area. Grades one and above remain in worship.)

*HYMN 142	God's Love Made Visible Instrumental setting by Dave Brubeck		The Church Instrumentalists
PRAYERS			Sean Timmons
ANTHEM	Love Came Down at Christmas Christina Rosetti, text; John Rutter, setting		Sanctuary Choir
SERMON	"God's Love Made Vis	sible" Matthew 1: 18-25	Drew Herring
*HYMN 148	What Child is This		The Church
*PRAYER OF THAN	KSGIVING		Jessamyn Rubio
OFFERTORY ANTH (A	NGELS WE HAVE HEAF The Congregation is inv	Carol Concertato RD ON HIGH) Hal Hopson, arr. ited to join in on the refrain: o! Gloria in excelsis Deo!	Sanctuary Choir Handbells
	ed Emmanuel, more wonde 1 in our darkness, He is Ligl	rful than words can tell. God is wi 1t; Born in our weakness, He is Mi God is with us! Alleluia! Alleluia!	
*BENEDICTION			Sean Timmons
POSTLUDE	Variations on ADESTE FIDELES (Final) (O Come, All Ye Faithful) Marcel Dupré		Mark Gourley
Lawton, Sandie I	Parker, Barbara Shaver; Jor	, Judy Gourley, Mary Frances Go Stevens, <i>handbells</i> ; Jeff Buchar ars; and Luke Clatterbuck, percu	an, Karen Cotta,
2024 Bud Pledged so far: \$287 Committed to Pray: 4 We will continue of	nent Card Update: lget: \$523,249 ,315 (55%) # pledges 65 46, Give Time Talent: 39 collecting cards though lay, 12/31	Tonight at 5:30: Christm Pre-Service Music beg Monday, Dec. 25th-Tue. 26th: C Wed. Dec. 27th & Thur. 28th: C Friday, Dec. 29th: Office open 9 Sunday, Dec. 31st @11:00: Wo In the Fellowship Hall- dress cas	gins at 5:00 Church office closed Office open 9-4 Ə-1:00 rship Service Only
2023 Contributions n	nust be received by 12/31	Monday, Jan. 1st: Church office	

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