

Traditional Service of Worship

Second Sunday of Advent

December 7, 2025

11:00 a.m.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

Tuttle

Away in a Manger, The First Noel, Ode to Joy
The Bells of Angelwood
Diane and Dave Tuttle, Directors

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out a Connect Card—available in the pews (drop it in the offering plate) or digitally via the QR code at the bottom right of this bulletin.

INTROIT

*HYMN

No. 250

Once in Royal David's City
(Verse 1-solo, Verse 2-choir, Verses 3,4-all)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Please respond by reading the bold text aloud.)

Leader: In this second week of Advent, the prophets point us to God's coming peace.

People: We trust the God who strengthens and renews.

Leader: God's peace unsettles harm and brings creation to healing and wholeness.

People: Our souls magnify the Lord, who does great things for us.

Leader: God's peace steadies the weary and stirs courage in our waiting.

People: We open our lives to the holy disruption of God's peace—within us, among us, and through us.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (THE APOSTLES' CREED)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Let no one be a stranger in the house of God.
Please take this opportunity to greet those around you.

*HYMN

No. 204

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 2:2-4

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE

We value the gift of generations, so all kids are invited to grab a worship bag (or coloring supplies) and remain in the sanctuary as part of worship. The nursery is open and available for kids four and younger.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Manz

E'en So Lord Jesus, Quickly Come (based on Revelation 22)
Chancel Choir

*DOXOLOGY

No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*HYMN OF ILLUMINATION

No. 209

Blessed Be the God of Israel

SCRIPTURE

Luke 1:46-55

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

SERMON:

Rev. Emily Knight

“Peace that Disrupts the Chaos”

HOLY COMMUNION

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MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

MacGimsey

Sweet Little Jesus Boy
Wayne Bailey

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

No. 211

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
(Verses 1-4)

*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Smith

Toccata on “Regent's Square”

*** Congregation, please stand.**

Worship Attendance - November 30, 2025

Contemporary Worship - In-person	66
Contemporary Worship- Online	6
Traditional Worship - In-person	141
Traditional Worship - Online	12
Total Worship	225

Serving in Worship Today

9 a.m. Contemporary Service

Greeter: Deb Day, Beth Joyner, Miranda Snipes
Tech Team: Amy Collier, Britt Scott

11 a.m. Traditional Service

Greeters: Shirley Davis, Peggy McCord, Susan Siegel
Tech Team: Michael Bone, Britt Scott
Ushers: Niel & Denise Fleming, Diane Wells
Liturgist: David Holladay
Crucifer: Tessa McCorkle
Acolyte: Mariah Cope, Ria McCorkle

We welcome The Bells of Angelwood. Since 1993 Angelwood has been serving children, adults, seniors, and families living with intellectual and developmental differences such as Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Down syndrome, and Spina Bifida. Thanks to this group for adding beautiful music to our worship experience.

What's Happening This Week?

CALENDAR TODAY:

Worship: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. (202 & 204)
Youth Group: 10:00 a.m. (302)
Kids Club: 10:00 a.m. (402)
Kids Choir: 10:30 a.m. (403)
Chancel Ringers: 5:00 p.m. (201)

NEXT SUNDAY: Cantata Worship Service (One Service) at 10:30 a.m.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Tai Chi: Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)
SPR/Finance: Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. (Library)
Sisters of Service: Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. (Parlor)
Wednesday Night Ministry: Wed. at 5:00 p.m. (McCord Building)
Chancel Choir: Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. (Room 501)
Circle of Hope: Thursday at 11:00 a.m.
Mental Health and Wholeness: Friday at 12:00 p.m. (Library)

Meals Served Last Week: 130

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

Digital Connect Card:

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CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

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9:00 a.m.

Gather with Song

You Are Holy (Prince of Peace) - Michael W. Smith

Welcome! Greet one another in Christ!

Sing We the Song of Emmanuel - Matt Papa

Scripture

Isaiah 2:2-4

Glory (Let There Be Peace) - Matt Maher

Children's Message & Lighting the Advent Candle

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Announcements

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Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Offer Gifts to God

Peace - We The Kingdom

Proclaim God's Word

Luke 1:46-55

"Peace that Disrupts the Chaos"

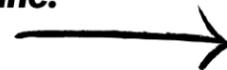
Rev. Emily Knight

Break Bread. Celebrate Holy Communion.

Behold The Lamb of God - Andrew Peterson

Benediction and Sending

Fuel the Mission & Give Online:
RPUMC.mywell.org
(ACH transfers save funds)



Brief daily readings & reflections for Advent can be found here:

Mental Health & Wholeness Lunch

Friday, December 12th at Noon

Bring your lunch and hold space for mental health discussion & connection.



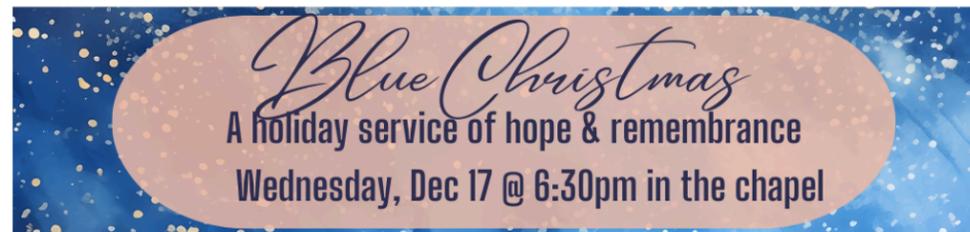
Kids' Choir Cantata Rehearsal:
Singers must attend practice
Saturday 12/13 @ 10-10:20am

Christmas Cantata JOURNEY to JOY

SUNDAY, DEC. 14TH
10:30 AM ONE SERVICE

Sunday, December 14th

- Covenant Class WILL meet at 9:30 am
- Bible Searchers and Kids Club will NOT meet
- Young Adult Brunch & Youth Christmas party will follow the cantata



Blue Christmas
A holiday service of hope & remembrance

Wednesday, Dec 17 @ 6:30pm in the chapel

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

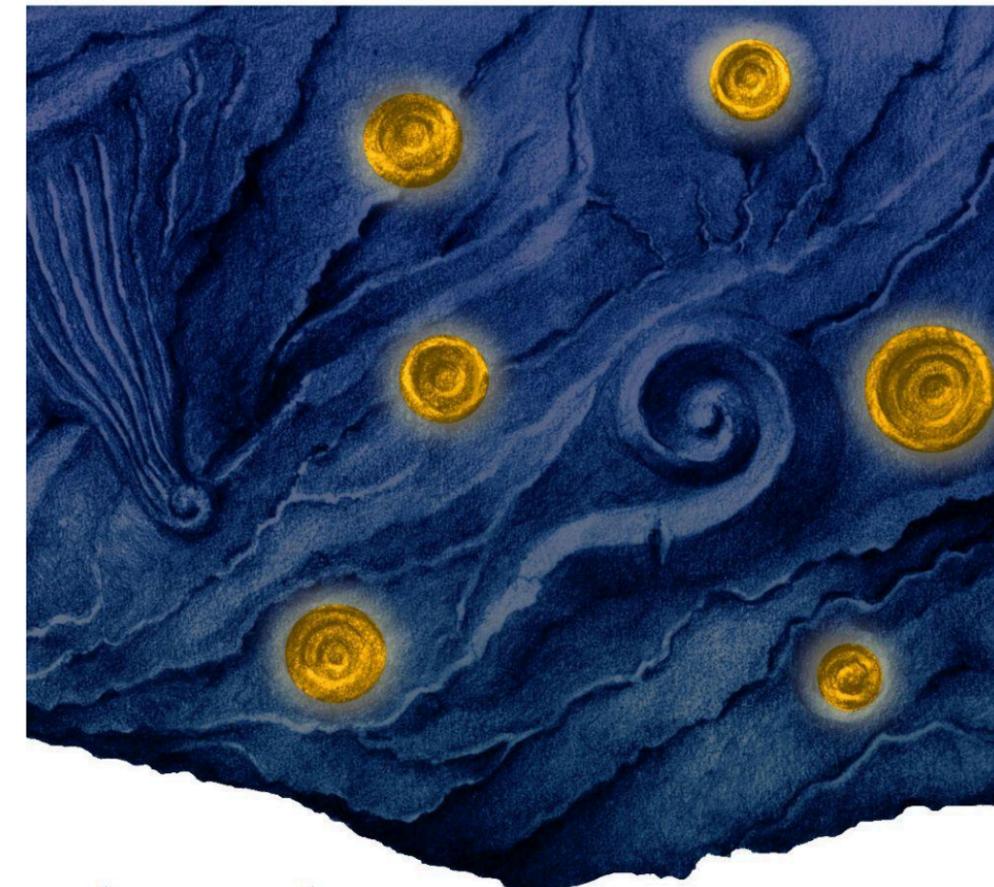
DECEMBER 24, 2025

Communion & Candlelight

4:30 P.M. CONTEMPORARY

7:00 P.M. TRADITIONAL

Nursery care available at 7pm



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THIS CHANGES EVERYTHING

Advent 2025



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