

Second Sunday  
OF  
**Advent**  
December 5, 2021

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH ..... Mary June & John McGinnis

\*HYMN: Advent Song (verse 2) ..... TFWS 2090

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\*CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: We are waiting ... in the dark of the year we are waiting.

**C: We are waiting ... for the potter to shape our lives.**

L: We are waiting ... to see clearly what lies hidden in darkness.

**C: We are waiting, awake and alert ... ready for God to come.**

L: In the darkness a candle is lit. The light comforts our waiting.

**C: The light reminds us of the one who is come.**

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN: "He Is Lord" ..... UMH 177

\*OFFERING PRAYER

\*DOXOLOGY ..... UMH 95

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 64:1-9 ..... Olivia Schunick

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks Be to God**

ANTHEM ..... Choir

\*GOSPEL READING: Matthew 5:1-11 ..... Olicia Schunick

L: These are the words of God for the people of God

**C: Thanks Be to God**

MESSAGE: *Not Your Ordinary Peace* ..... Pastor Tonya

\*HYMN: "Let Us Break Bread Together" ..... UMH 618

HOLY COMMUNION FOR ADVENT ..... See Insert

\*HYMN: "The First Noel" ..... UMH 245

\*BENEDICTION

*\*Please stand in body or in spirit*

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of

***Leslie Booze and Virginia Booze***

by Charlotte & Family.



The Hattie B. Skinner Circle is disappointed to announce that they will not be sponsoring their usual Angel Tree for the Salvation Army this year. Quite unexpectedly, The Salvation Army does not have enough angels to handout to all the organizations interested. Whether this is a good sign, that families are able to purchase gifts on their own, we do not know for sure.

Because of this unexpected development, The HBS Circle is instead encouraging you to support Zion's mission to help Maple Elementary School with donations of socks, underwear and/or monetary donations for sweatshirts (\$10 each).

While shopping for socks and underwear may not be as much fun as shopping for children's toys and clothes, we hope you will consider supporting to this worthy cause.

Donations can be placed in the basket on the Maple Elementary table in the front of the Sanctuary or under the tree in the Narthex. If you would like to make a monetary donation toward sweatshirts, please make checks payable to Zion UMC and note "Maple Elementary" in the memo line.

Collection of socks, underwear and/or donations for sweatshirts will take place through December 31, 2021.

***Thank you for your generosity!***



#### **OTHER INFORMATION**

Please worship responsibly. Masks are recommended for those who are not vaccinated. For families with small children, a special area is designated on the right side of the sanctuary (if you're facing the altar) to provide extra distance. Use of this area is not required, but available if your family would be more comfortable.

Praise and Prayer Concerns may be texted to 302-536-8136. They will not be read during today's service, but added to next week's list.

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