



# United Methodist Church

December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024

First Sunday in Advent

Hope

Prelude **Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus** *Colleen Blake*

Welcoming the Holy Spirit *Acolyte(s)*

Greeting and Welcome *Pastor Peter*

\* **Call to Worship**

One: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,  
who has come to set the chosen people free.

**All: We join the season of Advent,  
anticipating the coming of the promised Savior.**

One: Prophets have told us of One who is to come.

**All: A Savior of justice, righteousness,  
compassion and truth.**

One: A Savior born to us!

**All: O come, O come Emmanuel!**

\* Hymn **Angels From The Realm Of Glory** *Hymnal #220*

Scripture **Romans 15:1-6** *Pew Bible N.T. #153*

One: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks Be to God**

**Advent Candle 1 – Hope** *Tavake Family*

*Pingi, Olivia, Kulaea, Elizabeth, Ngalu, Anela & Ilaise*

One: As we light our candle of Hope we hear Paul's words  
to the Romans:

**All: “By steadfastness and encouragement of the  
scriptures we might have hope.**

One: May the God of steadfastness and encouragement  
grant you to live in harmony with one another, in  
accordance with Christ Jesus.

**All: So that together we may with one voice glorify  
God and our Lord Jesus Christ.” Rom 15:4b-6**

Special Musical Offering

*Ensemble*

**Prayer Time** – Sharing prayers of concern and celebration.

**Unison Prayer**

One: Lord God, hear our prayers.

**All: Reveal Yourself to us Oh Lord,**

One: Lord, we seek You in ways that we cannot fail to  
understand.

**All: Turn us so that we might join the faithful in  
welcoming Your coming.**

One: We long for that day!

**All: A day of peace when all Your people bear good  
fruit, when there is justice for all people.**

One: Lord, give us a childlike trust.

**All: Almighty God, lead us all in the way of peace and  
righteousness. Amen.**

Silent Prayer and Meditation

Pastoral Prayer

*Pastor Peter*

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

*Hymnal #270*

Offertory

*Ensemble*

\* Scripture **Luke 21:25-28,34-36** *Pew Bible N.T. #80-81*

One: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks Be to God**

\* Video **It Is Well With My Soul** *VBS Video*

Sermon **Building A Neighbor** *Rev. Peter Freytag*

Holy communion

\* Hymn **There's a Song in the Air** *Hymnal #249*

Benediction **Go Now In Peace** *Congregation*

\* Please stand if you are able

## This Week's Calendar:

### Office Hours:

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:** 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Closed

**Next Sunday, December 8, 2024**

**11:00 a.m.:** English Worship Service

**12:30 a.m.:** Tongan Worship Service

### Prayers In Our Church Family:

- Sandy Tinney's son Don had a stroke and is hospitalized.
- Amelia Kelemeni Paula, diagnosed with systemic mastocytosis.
- Prayers of Peace for Jews, followers of Christ, Muslims
- Violence that we're facing in this world.
- Families suffering loss.
- Hurricane & natural disaster victims.

## Holy Communion

**In the United Methodist Church  
is available to all people of all ages.  
We extend Christ's invitation to everyone.**

If walking or standing is a challenge,  
we will bring the elements to you in your pew.

### Christmas Eve Fellowship Following Service:

Getting excited for Christmas Eve!

We will celebrate together after Christmas Eve service to share cookies (while supplies last). Please share your favorite recipe.

Coffee and juice will also be served.

Direct questions to Ellen Dockter.

Senior Pastor: *Peter Freytag*

Office Manager: *Paea Kelemeni*

Lay Leader: *Mark Dockter*

Ad Council Chair: *Mike Sumrall*

Accompanist: *Colleen Blake*

Communion Stewards: *Melba Taylor, Ellen Smith-Dockter*

Tongan Pastor: *Atonio Toluta'u*

Christian Ed: *Stephanie Iverson*

Tongan Lay Leader: *Ngalu Kelemeni*

Lay Delegate: *Melba Taylor*

Liturgist: *Sandy Tinney*

# *Burns Memorial UMC*

## *First Sunday of Advent*



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