



United Methodist Church

December 29th, 2024

First Sunday after Christmas

Prelude Do You Hear What I Hear? Colleen Blake

Welcoming the Holy Spirit & Advent candle Wreath Acolyte(s)

Greeting and Welcome Pastor Peter

* **Call to Worship**

One: Brothers and Sisters, this is the last time we will see one another this year.

All: As we say goodbye to 2024, we look forward to what 2025 will bring.

One: Lord, with You, we stand assured!

All: Lord, help us prepare ourselves in all ways and at all times to follow You faithfully.

* Hymn He is born Hymnal #228

Scripture Colossians 3:12-17 Pew Bible N.T. #201

One: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks Be to God

Prayer Time – Sharing prayers of concern and celebration.

Unison Prayer

One: Lord God, hear our prayers.

All: Lord, as we approach the New Year, we pause and reflect upon the losses of this past year.

One: We have experienced pain, change, loss and fear.

All: We have also experienced joy and laughter, celebration and new life amidst healing and grace!

One: Lord, we pause in worship.

All: We pause and give You thanks.

One: Lord God, the New Year is an empty slate to us; we do not know what it will bring.

All: In our weaker moments, we focus upon worldly things and sorrow.

One: Lord, remind us to turn to You in joy and trust in the New Year.

All: Grant us, Gracious Lord, courage to walk with YOU on the journey. In Christ's Name. Amen.

Silent Prayer and Meditation

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Peter

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Hymnal #270

Offertory I wonder as I wander

Rich Schier

* Scripture Matthew 1:1-6, 15-16

Pew Bible N.T. #1

One: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks Be to God

* Video One Big Family

VBS Video

Sermon O Holy Night

Rev. Peter Freytag

* Hymn O Holy Night

overhead

Benediction Go Now In Peace

Congregation

* Please stand if you are able.

This Week's Calendar:

Office Hours:

Monday, Friday: 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: Closed

Next Sunday, January 5, 2025

11:00 a.m.: English Worship Service

12:30 p.m.: Tongan Worship Service

- Blake family loss of Will's brother Larry
- Mary Boylls' younger brother, Dick, hospitalized in California.
- Deb Gunther's sister-in-law, Nancy, recovering at home.
- Sandy Tinney's son Don recovering from a stroke.
- Amelia Kelemen Paula awaiting bone marrow biopsy.
- Prayers of Peace in the Middle East, Russia and Ukraine
- Prayers for families suffering loss.

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O Holy Night



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