Your Friendly Community Church



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Fourth Sunday of Advent

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"

WELCOME

& ANNOUNCEMENTS

Judi Rose

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Come, joy, lighten our spirits.

People: Come, hope, lift us from despair.

Leader: Come, peace, ease our frantic worry.

People: Come, love, shine in all we do. Leader: Come, Jesus, be born in us.

People: Come, Lord, set us free.

Leader: Come, God,

All: Rule in our hearts and teach us to sing with

joy!

*HYMN #250

"Once in Royal David's City"

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Chad and Tiffany Phillips

HYMN FWS #2090

"Light the Advent Candle (Advent Song)" (verses 1-4)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Diane Horn

OLD TESTAMENT READING: OT #815

Micah 5:2-5a

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

OFFERING (Ushers will come to you.)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM RUMC Choir "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

*DOXOLOGY #95

*GOSPEL READING: NT #53

Luke 1:39-45

SERMON: "The Blessing of Home"

*HYMN OF INVITATION

#211

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

The altar is open for prayer. If you would like the pastor to pray with you, please so indicate. The doors of our church are open if anyone wants to join by profession of faith or by transfer.

*BENEDICTION

AMEN RESPONSE

#898

POSTLUDE "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" **Please stand as you are able.*

WELCOME GUESTS

We welcome you this morning to Rehoboth UMC as we celebrate this beautiful Advent. If you are visiting, please complete a visitor's card located in your pew and place it in the offering plate.

Please join us after worship for a Christmas luncheo

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Please plan to join us on Friday, December 24, for a meaningful and beautiful Christmas Eve service. It will begin at 5 pm.

The church office will be closed Friday, December 24, and Monday, December 27, in observance of the Christmas holiday.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, 2 pm: Prayer Line 1-267-876-3725 Access Code 8730860#

Sunday, December 19, Christmas Luncheon Friday, December 24, 5 pm: Christmas Eve Service Friday, December 24: church office closed

You are welcomed to attend one of our Sunday school groups each Sunday Morning:

Crossroads SS Class meets via Zoom at 9 a.m. Contact L.W. Smith for Zoom invite.

Pathfinder SS Class meets at 9:45 a.m. in the parlor in the Education Building.

Ushers: Rick Boyce, Dan O'Donnell

Lock-up: L.W. Smith

We are excited to have you in our worship service today. We love that the walls of our building do not limit the impact of our ministry and have a wonderful community joining us today virtually. As such, we would like to remind all in attendance that your presence in our worship service indicates your approval that you and all minors you represent being recorded for our digital usage. This includes, but is not limited to, your image, name, and involvements in today's services.

Please write your prayer request in the book found on the podium located at the back of the sanctuary before the service begins. Pastor Meegian will receive these requests and lift them up for prayer during worship.

HEARING INFO

If you would like to use a hearing assistance device, please see an usher for assistance.