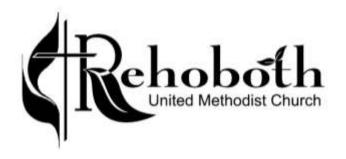
Your Friendly Community Church



December 5, 2021

Second Sunday of Advent

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

"What Can I Give Him" **PRELUDE**

WELCOME

& ANNOUNCEMENTS Vilma Cobb

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: O, come, O come, Immanuel, People: And be light for our darkness.

Leader: Be comfort in our grief, and a friend for our

loneliness,

People: An oasis for our searching. Leader: O, come, O come, Immanuel,

People: Restore our joy, heal our wounds, and

bring us peace.

*HYMN #216

"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH The Brazell Family

HYMN FWS #2090

"Light the Advent Candle (Advent Song)" (verses 1-2)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Sherry Smoak

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Malachi 3:1-4 OT #838

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING (Ushers will come to you.)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM RUMC Choir "Christmas Lullaby

*DOXOLOGY #95

*GOSPEL READING:

Luke 3:1-6 NT #56

"The Fear of Home" **SERMON:**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(see insert)

*HYMN OF INVITATION #202

"People, Look East"

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.

AMEN RESPONSE

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POSTLUDE "People, Look East" **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.

Pastor Meegian will host a Christmas drop-in at the parsonage (8007 Crestbrook Rd. Columbia, SC 29223) on Saturday, December 11, from 2-5 p.m. Please bring your favorite appetizer to share.

You're invited to attend a concert, "Christmas at Shandon," at Shandon Baptist Church on Forest Drive on Sunday, December 12, at 4 pm and 7pm. Free admission.

The Women of Rehoboth will be having a Christmas Gathering on Tuesday, December 14, from 6-8 pm at the home of Janice Petty. Please bring \$5 for Epworth Children's Home and an appetizer to share. Please contact the church office if you need transportation.

Mark your calendar for a Christmas dinner provided by the UMM after worship on Sunday, December 19. Details to follow.

Rehoboth has adopted a family of four through "Families Helping Families." Their names and gift ideas are located on the angels on the Giving Tree in the narthex. Please feel free to take one or more angels off the tree. Gifts need to be wrapped and tagged with the tear-off label found at the bottom of the angel. If possible, please include a gift receipt. Please return all gifts to the church no later than Sunday, December 12.

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.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, 11 am: Worship Line. 1-551-258-6961

Sunday, 2 pm: Prayer Line 1-551-258-6961

Monday, December 6, 6:30 pm: UMM Tuesday, December 7, 6:30 pm: Trustees Wednesday, December 8, 6:30 pm: Choir

Saturday, December 11, 2-5 pm: Christmas Drop-in at

the Parsonage

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, L.W. Smith

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.

HEARING INFO

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