



ORDER OF WORSHIP

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 1st, 2019

THE GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Lighting of the Advent Candle Isaiah 60:2-3

* *Hymn* **“If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee”** UMH 142

* *Call to Worship – Antiphons 1-4* UMH 211

Hymn: **“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”** UMH 211

Opening Prayer:

Merciful God, you sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation. Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading: **Jeremiah 33:14-18**

Sermon: Pastor Jesse Ruch
*In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety.
This is the name by which they will be called:
The Lord Our Righteous Savior.*

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn:* **“Blessed Be the God of Israel” UMH 209

Prayers of the People

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pardon

Leader: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners, this proves God’s love toward us.

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God, Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Let us share signs of peace with one another.

Offering & Anthem

**Doxology* UMH 94

Holy Communion *The Great Thanksgiving* UMH 13

Prayer after Receiving

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this gift in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, with this food for the journey. to give ourselves for others. Bless our gifts this morning, and our presence in you. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

Announcements

* *Hymn* **“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”** UMH 218

* *Benediction*

* *Congregational Response* **“Shalom to You”** UMH 666

**Please stand as you are able, in body or in spirit. Bold print indicates congregational response. ·*

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ONGOING EVENTS

Mondays – 6:00pm – Youth Group @ Broadway UMC

Wednesdays - 10:00am – Advent Bible Study @ Broadway UMC

LOOKING AHEAD

Decorating the Sanctuary – Monday, 12/2 @ 6pm, Pot-luck supper, and decorating the church. All are invited, many hands make light work!

Franklin Township Tree Lighting Service – Friday, 12/6 @ 5pm, Franklin Township Municipal Building.

Witness Christmas Concert – Sunday, 12/15 @ 6:30pm, Broadway UMC.

Parish Blue Christmas Service – Wednesday, 12/18 @ 7pm, Broadway UMC.

Parish Christmas Eve Service Times – Tuesday, 12/24.

Broadway UMC – 4:30pm, Oxford UMC – 7pm, Asbury UMC – 8pm

Port Colden UMC – 9pm, Summerfield UMC – 11pm.

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Amazon Smile – Designate Broadway UMC as your preferred charity through “Amazon Smile”, you can do this by clicking on the link on www.broadwaynj.org or sign up for Amazon Smile and look for Broadway United Methodist Church.

Maintenance & Support - If you wish to volunteer shoveling snow, or have an idea on how you'd like to help out around our building or grounds, please see Larry Adams or the Pastor. We're also collecting money to purchase gasoline for the equipment, please see the tank in the back of the sanctuary.

Shoprite Gift Cards – An easy way to earn money for the church at no extra cost to you, 5% back on every gift card purchase. See Barbara Bigelow for more info.

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