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Prelude Jenny Memmott

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Maria Campbell

Advent Wreath Candle-lighting The Stoneman Family

Children's Moment Susie Bond

Scripture Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 Liturgist

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion— to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

For I the Lord love justice, I hate robbery and wrongdoing; I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. Their descendants shall be known among the nations, and their offspring among the peoples; all who see them shall acknowledge that they are a people whom the Lord has blessed. I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Maria Campbell

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem Light of the World

Scripture 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 Rev. Maria Campbell

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil.

May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

Message Joy in the Journey Rev. Maria Campbell

Offertory Jenny Memmott

Doxology Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow #95 UMH

Dedication of Offering Liturgist

Gracious God, your love shines forth in the abundance of your creation. We give thanks for all we have received. Use these offerings to transform our communities. We pray through Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen

Closing Hymn It Came Upon A Midnight Clear #218 UMH vs 1, 4

Sending Forth Rev. Maria Campbell

Postlude Jenny Memmott

Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him, above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Closing Hymn

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

#218 UMH vs 1,4

Verse 1

It came upon the midnight clear
That glorious song of old
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold
Peace on the earth good will to men
From heaven's all gracious King
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing

Verse 4

For lo the days are hastening on By prophet seen of old When with the ever-circling years Shall come the time foretold When peace shall over all the earth Its ancient splendors fling And the whole world send back the song Which now the angels sing