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Prelude		Jenny Memmott
Welcome & Announcements		Rev. Maria Campbell
Advent Wreath Candle-lighting		The Eppel Family
Children's Moment		Susie Bond
Scripture	Isaiah 40: 1-11	Liturgist–Gary Cinotto

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.'

A voice says, 'Cry out!' And I said, 'What shall I cry?' All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, 'Here is your God!' See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Maria Campbell
The Lord's Prayer		
Anthem	<i>Shepherd's Joy</i>	HUMC Double Quartet
Scripture	Mark 1:1-8	Rev. Maria Campbell

As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight" ', John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

Message	<i>Begin By Turning</i>	Rev. Maria Campbell
Offertory		Margaret Cinotto
Doxology	<i>Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	#95 UMH
Dedication of Offering		Liturgist– Gary Cinotto
<p><i>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</i></p>		
Sacrament of Holy Communion		
Closing Hymn	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i>	#211 UMH vs 1, 2
Sending Forth		Rev. Maria Campbell
Postlude		Margaret Cinotto

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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	<i>O Come, O Come Emmanuel</i>	#211 UMH vs 1, 2
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Verse 1

O come O come Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here, Until the Son of God appear

Chorus

Rejoice, rejoice Emmanuel, Shall come to thee O Israel

Verse 2

O come Thou Wisdom from on high, And order all things far and nigh
To us the path of knowledge show, And cause us in her ways to go

Chorus

Rejoice, rejoice Emmanuel, Shall come to thee O Israel