

**First UMC**  
**A United Methodist Community**  
**In Moorestown, New Jersey**  
*“A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ  
with a hurting world through words and actions.”*

December 13, 2020

**THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

10:00 A.M.

**PRELUDE**

**God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen**

**Kings Road Revival**

**GATHERING MUSIC**

Worship the Lord

**WELCOME**

Pastor Tom Korkuch

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Behold! God is good, and has set a star in the heavens to guide us to the truth.

**People: We follow it with joy, knowing that God will give us strength to climb the hills,  
and sight to conquer the darkness.**

Leader: Behold! God is good, and has promised us a Savior to lead us to righteousness.

**People: We await the Savior's coming with gladness and with expectation that in the  
holy birth our lives may be renewed.**

**LIGHTING THE THIRD ADVENT CANDLE**

**SONG**

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

(verse 3)

O come, O come, great Lord of might, who to thy tribes on Sinai's height  
in ancient times once gave the law in cloud and majesty and awe.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

**\*OPENING PRAYER (in unison)**

Creator God, in the beginning you called light from darkness, and you have made your light to shine in our hearts by displaying your glory in the person of Jesus Christ. We call him by many names, but they all point to your presence, power, and love. May we shine with your light not only at Christmas but at all times, in all our words and deeds. As Jesus took on human flesh so long ago, may we your followers incarnate your love for others, so that all might give glory to our Father in heaven. Amen.

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Pastor HeyYoung Horton

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

Shout to the Lord

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

<sup>2</sup>The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord <sup>3</sup>His delight shall be in the fear

of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; <sup>4</sup>but with righteousness he shall judge the poor and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. <sup>5</sup> Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.<sup>6</sup>The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.<sup>7</sup>The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

<sup>8</sup>The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. <sup>9</sup>They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. <sup>10</sup>On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

**SERMON** "Incarnation: A Shoot from a Stump" Pastor Tom Korkuch

**CLOSING MUSIC** All Earth is Waiting / People Look East

**BENEDICTION**

**SENDING MUSIC** Holy Water

**THE CHANCEL BOUQUET HAS BEEN GIVEN BY:** Carol Talbot to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Anne Grogan (daughter of Dee Dee Langshaw), Audrey Cutone (mother of Jay Taylor), Barbara Engelbrecht, Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), John Chwastyk, Mary Raroha, Gloria-Jean Opperman, John & Catharine Carty, Pati Anne Feeley (daughter-in-law of Jan & Jack Feeley), Barbara Dapper, Nancy Gager (Paul Gager's sister), Peg Fagan (mother of Therese Shire, Pre-School Teacher), Emmy Cahilly (11 yr. old niece of Shelly & Greg Kinkaid), Madison Luyber and her parents, Julie and Tony (friends of the Bewleys), Louise McMeans, Dan LaFon, Donna Lasoski.

**PRAYERS & SYMPATHY TO:** The Family and Friends of Alice Smith who passed away last week.

### **SONGS FOR 10:00 A.M. SERVICE**

WORSHIP THE LORD (by Edwin Hawkins) (1981 Word Music)

Make a joyful noise, all ye people; Sing a song, to the Lord, of His goodness and His mercy, of His faithfulness and love. Make a joyful noise, all ye people; Sing a song, to the Lord, of His goodness and His mercy, of His faithfulness and love.

Worship the Lord, let's praise His holy name; Worship the Lord, let's magnify His name. Worship the Lord, let's praise His holy name; Worship the Lord, let's magnify His name.

HOLY IS OUR GOD (by Robin Mark) (2009 Integrity Worship Music)

Lift up his name within the sanctuary; lift up his name among the people who are gathered here to sing his praise, who are gathered here to sing his praise.

*Chorus: Holy is our God; holy is your name; mighty are your works and deeds and wondrous are your ways; all that you have made shall return and give you glory, Lord.*

The earth, the sky, the sea and all within them, this universe, beyond the sight of mortal man, all subject to his reign; all creation subject to his reign. (*Chorus*)

The great I Am, no end and no beginning, you were and are, and evermore you shall be; all my days are in your hands; all my days are in your hands. (*Chorus*)

SHOUT TO THE LORD (by Darlene Zschech)

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like You, all of my days I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love; My Comfort, my Shelter, Tower of refuge and strength;

Let ev'ry breath, all that I am, never cease to worship You.

*Chorus: Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King; Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of Your name. I sing for joy at the work of Your hands, forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand; nothing compares to the promise I have in You. (1993 Hillsongs Australia)*

ALL EARTH IS WAITING (by Alberto Taule)

All earth is waiting to see the Promised One, and the open furrows, the sowing of the Lord. All the world, bound and struggling, seeks true liberty; it cries out for justice and searches for the truth.

Thus says the prophet to those of Israel, "A virgin mother will bear Emmanuel," for his name is "God with us," our brother shall be, with him hope will blossom once more within our hearts.

Mountains and valleys will have to be made plain; open new highways, new highways for the Lord. He is now coming closer, so come all and see, and open the doorways as wide as wide can be.

In lowly stable the Promised One appeared, yet, feel his presence throughout the earth today, for he lives in all Christians and is with us now; again, with his coming he brings us liberty. (*United Methodist Publishing House*)

PEOPLE, LOOK EAST (by Eleanor Farjeon)

People, look east. The time is near of the crowning of the year.

Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the table.

People, look east and sing today: Love, the Guest, is on the way.

Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is planted there.

Give up your strength the seed to nourish, that in course the flower may flourish.

People, look east and sing today: Love, the Rose, is on the way.

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim, one more light the bowl shall brim,  
shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as sun and moon together.  
People, look east and sing today: Love, the Star, is on the way.

Angels announce with shouts of mirth him who brings new life to earth.  
Set every peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is coming.  
People, look east and sing today: Love, the Lord, is on the way. (*Oxford University Press*)

#### HOLY WATER

God, I'm on my knees again. God, I'm begging please again I need you. Oh, I need you.  
Walking down these desert roads, water my thirsty soul, I need you. Oh, I need you.  
*Chorus: Your forgiveness is like sweet, sweet honey on my lips,  
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears, Like Holy water on my skin.*

Dead man walking, slave to sin, I wanna know about being born again.  
I need you, O God, I need you. So, take me to the riverside.  
Take me under, baptize. I need you, O God, I need you!  
*Chorus: Your forgiveness is like sweet, sweet honey on my lips,  
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears, Like Holy water on my skin.*

I don't wanna abuse your grace. God, I need it every day. It's the only thing that ever really makes  
me wanna change. (repeat 3x's). I don't wanna abuse your grace. God,  
I need it every day. It's the only thing that ever really makes me wanna change.  
*Chorus: Your forgiveness is like sweet, sweet honey on my lips,  
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears, Like Holy water on my skin.*  
Your forgiveness is like sweet, sweet honey on my lips, Like the sound of a symphony to my ears,  
Like Holy water on my skin. Yeah, It's like Holy water on my skin. Oh, It's like Holy water.