

## December 5 9:00AM Common Thread Worship

Please tell the lot attendant how you will be worshipping so they can direct you where best to park.

Thank you!



### Greeting

#### Song – Praise Him (All This for a King)

Turn your ear to heaven and hear the noise inside,  
the sound of angel's awe, the sound of angel's songs, and all this for a King.  
We could join and sing all to Christ, the King.

How constant, how divine, this song of ours will rise.  
O how constant, how divine, this love of ours will rise, will rise.  
O praise Him, O praise Him; He is holy, He is holy.

Turn your gaze to heaven, and raise a joyous noise.  
The sound of salvation come, the sound of rescued ones, and all this for a King.  
Angels join to sing all to Christ, our King.  
O praise Him, O praise Him; He is holy, He is holy.

How infinite and sweet this love so rescuing.  
O how infinitely sweet this great love that has redeemed. As one we sing.  
O praise Him, O praise Him; He is holy, He is holy.

Alleluia, Alleluia. He is holy, He is holy.  
Alleluia, Alleluia. He is holy.

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### Sharing Peace

#### Lighting Our Second Advent Candle

Brian & Jennifer Wert

### God Is Near

*A Candle Lighting Ceremony for Advent*

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#### Song – Peace Has Come

Behold the star of Bethlehem; the Word of God has become flesh.  
Unto us a Child is born, the Savior of this broken world.  
Oh, hear the angel voices sing, "Come, let us adore Him."  
Peace has come, for our King is with us.

Fully God and fully man, He comes for all with open hands.  
He rules with love on David's throne; all praise belongs to Christ alone.

Oh, hear the angel voices sing, "Come, let us adore Him."

Peace has come, for our King is with us.

Holy, holy, holy, Jesus, we adore Thee! Peace has come.

O come, let us adore Him. O come, let us adore Him. O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord.

O come, let us adore Him. O come, let us adore Him. O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord.

Oh, hear the angel voices sing, "Come, let us adore Him."

Peace has come, for our King is with us.

Ooo...

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### **Prayer Time & Lord's Prayer**

*(To share your joys and concerns, please text them to Elias at 252-578-1090.)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### **Scripture Lesson – Luke 1: 68-79**

"Bless the Lord God of Israel because he has come to help and has delivered his people. He has raised up a mighty savior for us in his servant David's house, just as he said through the mouths of his holy prophets long ago. He has brought salvation from our enemies and from the power of all those who hate us. He has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and remembered his holy covenant, the solemn pledge he made to our ancestor Abraham. He has granted that we would be rescued from the power of our enemies so that we could serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness in God's eyes, for as long as we live. You, child, will be called a prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way. You will tell his people how to be saved through the forgiveness of their sins. Because of our God's deep compassion, the dawn from heaven will break upon us, to give light to those who are sitting in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide us on the path of peace."

### **Message – God Speaks: Believe**

#### **Song – Adore**

You stepped down from Heaven. Humbly You came, God of all creation here with us.

In a starlit manger, Emmanuel, Light of the World, here to save.

Adore; come, let us adore. O Come, let us adore Him, the Lord.

Worship Christ, the Lord. Let all that is within us adore.

Wise Men bring their treasures, shepherds bow low. Angels voices sing of peace on earth.

What have I to offer to Heaven's King? I will bring my life, my love, my all.

Adore; come, let us adore. O Come, let us adore Him, the Lord.

Worship Christ, the Lord. Let all that is within us adore.

Angels sing, praises ring to the newborn King.

Peace on earth here with us, joy awakening. At Your feet we fall.

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### **Blessing & Sending Out**

## Sharing Our Offering

### Out to Share the Light of Christ in the World

#### ***What to know this week ...***

*The rosebud on the worship table today is in celebration of the birth of Ava Celeste Jackson on November 22. Parents are Lindsay & Quentin Jackson; grandparents are Dawn & William Robertson and Kim & Tom Lamb.*

*In keeping with our theme for Advent: God Is Near, we have daily scripture readings, a song to click and play/sing, and a prayer focus for the week. Please use this season to draw near to God, and enjoy the scripture and music!*

*Devotions are posted a week at a time on the church website: [www.stjumc.us](http://www.stjumc.us).*

*Get involved! We have multiple ways for you to get connected and volunteer at St. James!*

*Please consider this list of volunteer sign-ups and help where you feel called:*

*2021 Angel Tree at [www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b49afaa22a75-angel1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b49afaa22a75-angel1)*

*December 11 Produce Packing at [www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b49afaa22a75-food](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b49afaa22a75-food)*

*December 19 Live Nativity Cast & Crew at [www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b49afaa22a75-live1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b49afaa22a75-live1)*

*The UMW is offering honorary and memorial luminaries this Christmas. Luminaries will line the walkway in front of the church and burn Christmas Eve 5:30-9:00pm. To place an order, you can find the order form in the December newsletter or online at [www.stjumc.us/members](http://www.stjumc.us/members). The cost for each luminary is \$3; please make checks payable to St. James UMW. Forms and payments can be left in the offering baskets or dropped in the office door drop.*

*Food Pantry Needs for Advent: spaghetti sauce (plastic jar or can), jelly (plastic container), 2 lb. rice (usually available at Dollar Tree), canned fruit*