

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! If you are new here or have a prayer request, please fill out a Communication Card found in the back of the pew. Drop it into the offering plate so we can connect with you.

**FIRST REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
IS AN OPEN AND AFFIRMING CONGREGATION**

We welcome into the full life and ministry of the church all people, regardless of ability, age, education, ethnicity, family or marital status, gender identity or expression, income, nationality, political affiliation, race, sexual orientation, or any other distinction. At the baptismal font and at the communion table, from the nursery cribs to the church leadership, whether you were raised in a church or have never, before attended one, you are welcome here.

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

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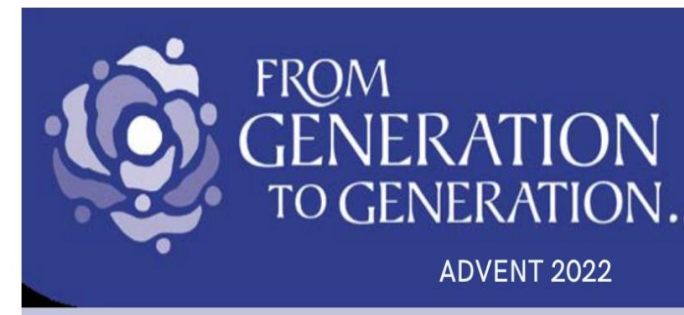
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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Monday – Friday
9-1 Walk-ins Welcome
1 – 2pm Closed for Lunch
2 – 5pm Please call ahead or make an appointment



**December 11, 2022
The Worship of God**

Third Sunday of Advent

*Stand as you are

Prelude

Nightfall (by Nancy Faber)

Bruce Tippette

***Chiming of the Hour**

***Call to Worship**

Rev. Horton

***Hymn**

O Come O Come Emanuel



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest
3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy
4 O come, thou Root of Jes - se, free thine own from



cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
all things might - i - ly: to us the path of knowl - edge
tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the
Sa - tan's tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell thy peo - ple



here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
show; and teach us in her ways to go. Re-joyce! Re-joyce!
law in cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
save and give them vic - tory o'er the grave.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

Lighting the Candle of Joy

Camill & Casey Ball

Sung Response

From Generation to Generation

**From generation to generation, we have shared the Christmas story
Of a baby in the manger, who was born in Bethlehem.
Hope is winging, Peace now ringing, Joy we're singing, Love he's bringing.
We can choose a better way. And find joy in every day.**

