

If you are a guest with us, welcome! We are glad you are here. Below is some information that may be helpful to you joining us in worship.

Nursery Information:

A volunteer staffed Nursery is available during worship. You may find the Nursery by exiting the Sanctuary entry doors and turning right and going into the glass doors to the part of the building behind the Sanctuary. The Nursery can be found by going up the stairs and then to the left, down the hall, and left again. Often, one or two of our Zion hosts will be sitting at the top of the stairs to assist you.

Worship Information:

During our service, we will be saying the Lord's Prayer and singing the Doxology. If you do not know the words, please find them below.

The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above the Heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost
Amen

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"A Story of Hope"
November 27, 2022
9:00 am

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship

One: In this season of crowded stores and unpacked stress,

Many: we will welcome one another as God has welcomed us.

One: In this time of hurried hellos and curt replies,

Many: we will greet one another with words of hope.

One: In a culture of increasing isolation,

Many: we will embrace our sisters and brothers as God has enfolded us in grace.

*Invocation (in unison)

Loving God, fill our hearts with hope, that we might have hope to give those we encounter. Open us to receiving Jesus in our hearts anew this Advent, that we have Jesus to offer those we encounter. Remind us of how endlessly we are loved, that we might have love to give those we encounter. Amen.

*Hymn "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" #119

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

Response "Creator of the Stars of Night" #127 (vs 1)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Special Music "Prepare the Way"
(Anderson)

Scripture Mark 1: 1-8

Sermon "A Story of Hope"

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"
(Arr. Massoud)

Response "Doxology"

*Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)

We thank you, God of abundance, for the privilege of sharing your blessings with others. We dedicate these gifts to you, not to earn your favor or make a point, but simply out of gratitude for the amazing goodness you pour out on us. Thanks be to you, in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Closing Hymn "Emmanuel, Emmanuel" # 134

*Benediction

*Postlude