

PINEHURST

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



November 30, 2025

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GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *“Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus”* G. Winston Cassler
Theme and Variations II, IV, V

WELCOME

***OPENING HYMN** *“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”* UMH, 211
vs. 1, 2, 6, 7

RESPONSIVE ADVENT READING Robert & Denise Stagg (8:15)
Brant & Nancy Waters (11:00)

Reader: The prophet Isaiah calls to us from the past to imagine the future when God’s reign will be fully realized and recognized throughout creation. When that time comes, God “shall judge between the nations and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war any more.”

**Please stand as you are able.*

.All: Today, we choose to live in hope, believing that the time of God's reign has come and is coming among us.

Reader: We light this candle of hope as a sign of our promise to follow the Light as we answer God's call to transform our hope into reality today and in the days to come.

***OPENING PRAYER**

**Unexpected God, your advent alarms us.
Wake us from drowsy worship,
from the sleep that neglects love,
and the sedative of misdirected frenzy.
Awaken us now to your coming. Amen.**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***REGATHERING HYMN** *"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"* UMH, 204
(sing twice)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 24:36-44 Sheila Dumlao (8:15)
Ross Truemper (11:00)

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostle's Creed UMH, 881

CHOIR ANTHEM *"Of the Father's Love Begotten"* arr. Joel Raney

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus” G. Winston Cassler
Variation III

***PRESENTATION** The Doxology UMH, 95

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER UMH, 895

SCRIPTURE LESSON Isaiah 2:1-5

SERMON “*The Light of the Lord*” Pastor Katie Hoerster

SENDING FORTH TO SERVE

***FINAL HYMN** “*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*” UMH, 196

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** “*Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying*” Arr. J. G. Walther

*The white rose on the altar is given to the glory of God
and in celebration of Tobias James Garzo,
son of Madisyn & Robert Garzo, born November 24, 2025.*

*The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in celebration and
thankful gratitude for 50 years of marriage by Jerry & Rhonda Kolster.*

WELCOME VISITORS

If you are visiting for the first time, stop by the Welcome Center near the front door and pick up a gift along with information about our church. Nursery care is available for children up to age 4 in Room 110. Restrooms are also down the same hallway as you leave the sanctuary.

THIS WEEK AT PUMC

OFFICE HOURS: Monday—Thursday 9am—4:30pm; Closed Friday

Sunday, Nov. 30

- 8:15am Traditional Service
- 9:30am Sunday School/kids/youth/adults
- 9:40am Contemporary Service
- 10:30am Sunday School/adults
- 11am Traditional Service
- 2pm They Call Me Jabe/book discussion and signing
- 4pm Turkey Bowl/6th-12th grade/Sandhills Bowling Center

Monday, Dec. 1

- 7:30am Men's Breakfast Study/Sizzlin' Steak or Eggs
- 10am Once Upon a Pine Storytime/Seeds (birth-24 months)

Tuesday, Dec. 2

- 10am Once Upon a Pine Storytime/Sprouts (age 2-5 years)
- 1pm Yarns of Love/knitting & crochet

Wednesday, Dec. 3

- 9:30am Pastors Bible Study/Luke
- 5pm Handbell Rehearsal/Darlene Skinner
- 6:30pm Worship Choir Rehearsal/James Brown

LOOKING FORWARD

- Dec. 7 Annual Christmas Concert (4pm)
- Dec. 7 Angel Gifts Due/wrap and label with angel # and name
- Dec. 10 Christmas Caroling (5:30pm/RSVP)
- Dec. 12 Women's Trip/A Christmas Carol Musical (6pm)
- Dec. 13 UMM Habitat Build Day (8am/RSVP)
- Dec. 14 Family Christmas Jelly Jammie Jam (3:30pm)
- Dec. 14 Youth Christmas Party (5pm)
- Dec. 24 Christmas Eve at the Fair Barn (3,5 and 7pm)
- Dec. 25-Jan. 2 Office Closed
- Dec. 28 Lessons In Carols (10am-only one service)

For details about scheduled events or to RSVP, visit our website pinehurstumc.org and click on the most recent E-news on the banner.