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December 20, 2020 9:00 a.m.

#### **WELCOME**

We are committed to transforming the church and the world into a full expression of Christ's inclusive love.

Dayspring UMC is a Reconciling Congregation. All people, regardless of age, sex, race, color, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic status or ability are welcome into the full life of our congregation. Dayspring affirms the value and worth of all persons, recognizing that everyone is a child of God. We call all to live by and attest to gender equality and to observe Jesus' principles of love and non-violence in all our relationships.

Together we are on a mission to make God's world more peaceful, just, compassionate and inclusive.

# THE CHURCH GATHERS TO CELEBRATE The Fourth Sunday in Advent

ANNOUNCEMENT SLIDES & MUSIC

GREETING Rev. Joel Bullock

CALL TO CELEBRATION

Sophie and Jack Weissberg

How shall we prepare for the coming of the Lord?

With hearts filled with love and peace.

How shall we prepare for the coming of Christ?

With prayers and songs filled with devotion and hope.

How shall we prepare for the coming of the Son of God?

With worship filled with joy and spirit.

Come! Let us worship.

\*OPENING HYMN

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Hymnal #234

\*OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Ellie Farley

Your season comes. Lord.

Come once again, and feed your flock like a shepherd.

Come once again, and gather up the children, the oppressed, and the rejected of the earth.

At this Advent,

join us together with neighbors, with strangers,

and especially with our own household.

Bring us your light in our time of darkness,

through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

\*HYMN RESPONSE Verse 4

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

A TIME FOR OUR CHILDREN

**Emily Slater** 

Jesus said, "Let the children come unto me." Mark 10:13

LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH ADVENT CANDLE

The Labinjo family

ADVENT SONG "Christ Be Our Light"

refrain

ANTHEM "Christmas Is"

Jeff And Dana Anderson

Dayspring Children

recorded Dec. 8, 2019

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayers can be entered online at dayspring-umc.org/prayers

**CALL TO PRAYER** 

"Holy is the Night"

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Joel Bullock

Jesus said, "Pray always and don't lose heart." Luke 18:1

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 1:18-23

Nate Rapp

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church

Thanks be to God

**MESSAGE** 

"Sing with Us the Christmas Story"

Dayspring Children & Youth Choirs

Arabella Berkebile • Patrick Berkebile • Mariella Cardona • Sebastian Cardona • Logan Carpenter Piper Carpenter • Ellie Farley • Jimmy Farley • Genevieve Hall • Gwyndolyn Hall • Jenna Hatton Katie Kagan • Addy Kelly • Ella Keisling • Karalyn Kroeger • Princess Mayson • Jay Miller Brayden O'Brien • Corbin O'Brien • Ellary Olivarez • Cassia Patzer • Emily Prochniewski Makenna Spomer • Rylie Spomer • Jack Weissberg • Sophie Weissberg

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35

give online at: dayspringumc.org/give

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Angels We Have Heard on High"

recorded Dec 23, 2019

Dayspring Trio with Donna Wilde

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Jeff Procter-Murphy

**CLOSING HYMN** 

"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"

Hymnal #240

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## **PRAYERS**

The family and friends of Bob Bassett, brother-in-law of Nancy Creighton and uncle of Shaun and Jeremy Creighton, following his death on December 13; The family and friends of Jim Dewveall, husband of Elizabeth Dewveall, grandfather of Michelle Donati-Grayman, and great-grandfather of Moses, Elias, and Silas Grayman, following his death; Kathy, Jeff, Jennifer and Chad Urso/McDaniel, relatives of Suzanne and David Harbster, for comfort following Tina's death from cancer; Dorothy Van Vleet, with health concerns; Phyllis Bleakley, still hospitalized following a serious car accident on October 6: Sue Flanders, mother of Carol Muggeridge, with serious health issues; Linda Wist, sister of Cheryl Anderson, hospitalized with COVID-19 in Kansas City; Richard Everson, uncle of David Harbster, a gifted computer engineer, diagnosed with dementia; The family and friends of Russ Wells, husband of Shirley Wells, following his death on December 6; The family and friends of Bunny Hatchett, mother of Dana Kroeger's brother-in-law, following her death on December 5; Beth Cadman, recovering in isolation following surgery on December 1: Adam Parkinson, recovering following shoulder surgery on December 7; Wilford Roe, father of Denise Riley, hospitalized for the past three weeks with COVID-19; Kathy Marean, sister-in-law of Rhonda Couch, recovering from a brain aneurysm; Bob Bassett, brother-in-law of Nancy Creighton and uncle of Shaun and Jeremy Creighton, who was recently placed in an Alzheimer's facility in Albuquerque, NM, and now has tested positive for COVID-19; Christina Cunliffe, niece of Robert Jarus, recovering following surgery to remove a tumor in her pituitary gland; Jack Reid, father of Jon Reid, having surgery on December 14 to remove cancer from his mouth; for a peaceful transition now that election is over; for all those diagnosed with or exposed to COVID-19; for our medical workers to have strength and comfort while staying healthy; for the pastors and leaders of Dayspring UMC, in gratitude of their service to this church; for refugees worldwide, including the Al Naeem and Derow-Mohamed families; for all the indigent people in our society who suffer through all the seasons of the year; for all who actively serve the public common good, including our men and women in the military.

#### **Ongoing Health Concerns**

Arlene Roe, Kitty Moran, Michael Luzaich, Marvel Schlick, Joyce Dolin, Skylar-Ann Dunham, Barbara Link, Cindy Sacha, Diane Paz, Heidi Bullock, Anthony Lee, Claire Logan, Pedro Lujan, Jenny Baker, Sheila Fisher, Emily Fitzpatrick, Esther Melo se Orozco, Ron Kessing, Karen Marco, Evelyn Kerr, Fred Miles, and Joyce Larson.

### **For our Healthcare Workers**

Cheryl Anderson, Laura Bacon, Helen Bates, Alan Cadman, Brianna Cadman, Bill Chauvin, Sabrina Gacke, Eric Garlington, Marcie Gest, Amanda Grace, Lara Graf, Tammy Jelen, Karen Kirkland, Trish Lamb, Michelle Locke, Joely Martin, Annie Mayson, Jordan Obray, Simon Parkinson, Jennifer Prochniewski, Lauren Ruck, Kim Searing, AmyLou Simminger, Kathy Vigness, and Christina Weston-Morrow.

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