

+All may stand as able.

10:30 a.m.

First Sunday of Advent

CALL TO WORSHIP BELL PEAL

GREETING

PRELUDE

+HYMN 211 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" vss. 1-3 and 7

**O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.**

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

**O come, thou Wisdom from on high,
and order all things far and nigh;
to us the path of knowledge show
and cause us in her ways to go.**

Refrain.

**O come, O come, great Lord of might,
who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times once gave the law
in cloud and majesty and awe.**

Refrain.

**O come, Desire of nations bind
all peoples in one heart and mind.
From dust thou brought us forth to life;
deliver us from earthly strife.**

Refrain.

+LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE AND SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 60: 2-3

We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Hope. May the light sent from God shine in the darkness to show us the way of salvation.

O come, O come, Emmanuel.

In celebration of our Christian hope, let us share the peace of Christ with one another by saying, may the hope and peace of Christ be with you.

May the hope and peace of Christ be with you.

Amen, **Amen.**

+SUNG RESPONSE 213 vs. 1

**Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates;
behold, the King of glory waits;
the King of kings is drawing near;
the Savior of the world is here!**

SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 1:4-9

SOLO "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Ollie Burrow, Baritone

LESSON FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

HYMN 229 vss. 1 and 2

**Infant holy, infant lowly,
for his bed a cattle stall;
oxen lowing, little knowing,
Christ the babe is Lord of all.
Swift are winging angels singing,
noels ringing, tidings bringing:
Christ the babe is Lord of all.**

Dr. John Robbins

VENI EMMANUEL

Rev. Kathleen McMurray

TRURO

Dr. Jeffery Hampton

Mark A. Miller

Rev. McMurray

**Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping
vigil till the morning new
saw the glory, heard the story,
tidings of a gospel true.
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow,
praises voicing, greet the morrow:
Christ the babe was born for you**

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

Mark Daniel Grinnan, Jr., child of Jennifer and Daniel Grinnan

Dr. Robbins

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's holy church, for we are all one in Christ Jesus, our Lord. We promise to love, encourage, nurture and support you, and to help you know and follow Christ.

All singing Hymn 611 vs. 1 as the family returns to their seat.

**Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign;
With this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.**

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Dr. Hampton

It is my sin, O God, that I have not kept Christmas all year. After last Christmas I went back to tending flocks, and have forgotten to adore him who was born in a stable. Having followed the star and found the Baby, I have not followed the cross and found the Savior. Teach me to enter into the deep mysteries of the season, and so find meaning and joy for my existence. Let the spirit of Jesus be born in me, that I may bring glad tidings of great joy to all the people in my life. For his kingdom's sake. Amen. Jesus did not come into the world to condemn the world.

But that the world through him might be saved.

His life was given for the redemption of many.

His blood atones for all our sin.

I can assure you that God, for Christ's sake, has forgiven me.

That is our special joy at Christmastime.

HYMN 203 "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" vss. 1 and 2

**Hail to the Lord's Anointed,
great David's greater Son!
Hail in the time appointed,
his reign on earth begun!**

**He comes to break oppression,
to set the captive free;
to take away transgression,
and rule in equity.**

ELLACOMBE

**He comes with succor speedy
to those who suffer wrong;
to help the poor and needy,
and bid the weak be strong;
to give them songs for sighing,
their darkness turn to light,
whose souls, condemned and dying,
are precious in his sight.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

Andrew Irvin, Violin

Rev. McMurray

15th Century German

+PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS WITH DOXOLOGY 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

OLD 100TH

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "Lost In Wonder, Love, & Praise" by John R. Killinger

**I believe in the spirit of Christmas, for it is the spirit of our
Lord Jesus Christ, whose birth it celebrates;
I believe in the lights of Christmas, for they remind me of**

Dr. Hampton

Connect Card

Sunday, November 29, 2020, Sanctuary

*Please register your attendance and
place in offering plate.*

[] 10:30 a.m.

[] first time guest [] repeat guest [] member

Ages: [] under 18 [] 18-25 [] 26-29
[] 30-39 [] 40-49 [] 50-59 [] 60 plus

Name(s):

[] Please check if your information has changed.
Address:

Phone(s):

E-Mail:

Name(s) of Children & Youth present with me today:

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

- Are you interested in knowing how to begin a relationship with Jesus Christ?
- Are you interested in knowing more about the ministries of the church?
- Are you interested in becoming a member of the church?

Join Us for Membership Matters

[] Please contact me with more information.

WHO CARES? WE DO! IN-TOUCH MINISTRY

- [] I am interested in receiving Spiritual support from Caring Ministries.
- [] Divorce (Adults & Children)
- [] Family
- [] Finances
- [] Health & Healing
- [] Marriage
- [] Pet Illness
- [] Relationships
- [] Other
- [] **Please pray for (Concerns/Joys):**

[] Please contact me: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

*(For detailed Confidential Requests use Prayer Card in
Pew and place in Prayer Box at either exit.)*

Registrations

Sanctuary - Sunday, November 29, 2020
Please register for opportunities below.
Please print clearly.

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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Name _____

E-mail _____

Type of pet (dog,cat,etc) _____

PHUMC SUPPORT MINISTRIES. I would like to receive more information:

- Al-Anon Helping Hands Ministry
- Cancer LGBTQ
- Divorce (Adults & Children) Memory Loss
- Grief (Adults & Children) The Loss of a Pet

TOWER NEWSLETTER. If you would like to receive the church newsletter hot off the press via email, please complete info below or send your email address to pr@phumc.com.

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*him who is the Light of the world;
I believe in the greenery of Christmas, for it symbolizes the eternal life of those in Christ;
I believe in giving of gifts at Christmas, for it is in keeping with the greatest gift the world has ever known;
I believe in being childlike at Christmas, for Jesus said we must become as children to enter the kingdom of heaven;
And I believe in the angels' song about peace on earth among persons of good will, for when my will is good, as it is at Christmas, I feel a peace and joy in my heart that is unlike anything else in all the world. It has to be the peace and joy of God! Amen.*

+GLORIA PATRI 70 MEINEKE
*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

+SCRIPTURE Isaiah 64:1-9 Dr. Robbins
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "The Work of Your Hand" Dr. Robbins

+INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES Dr. Robbins

+HYMN 206 "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" vss. 1 and 3 HOUSTON
*I want to walk as a child of the light.
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.
Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

*I'm looking for the coming of Christ.
I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
We shall know the joy of Jesus. Refrain*

+BENEDICTION Dr. Robbins

+BENEDICTION RESPONSE 202 vs. 1 BESANCON
*People, look east. The time is near
of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the Guest, is on the way.*

Assisting in Worship:
Organist: Stanley Cox

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