



**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent**

**December 10, 2023**

**UMC in Wayne**

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## PRELUDE

*Parish Drive*

## WELCOME

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

**(Psalm 85:8-11)**

Leader: Let us hear what God the LORD will speak,

**All: For God will speak peace to the people, to God's faithful,  
to those who turn to God in their hearts.**

Leader: Surely God's salvation is at hand for those who are in awe of God,

**All: That God's glory may dwell with us.**

Leader: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;

**All: Righteousness and peace will kiss each other.**

Leader: Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,

**All: And righteousness will look down from the sky.**

Leader: God is bringing all things together and making all things new,

**All: God is at work in our world for peace.**

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE OF PEACE

**Leader:** Hope is assertive, but peace is subversive. The psalmist reminds us that God will speak peace to those who turn to God in their hearts. God assures us that right living and peace will kiss each other. Peace whispers into our ear that there is always another way, another path from rage and hate and fear. Peace calls us to have patience, but to not give up. Peace is not passive, but always lurking, just waiting for us to recognize we can grasp it. We light this candle as a reminder that peace is something we must pursue, for we follow the Prince of Peace.

*Light the second candle*

**All: God of Peace, our world is full of angry voices calling for vengeance, calling for retribution masked as justice, calling for destruction as a lie for peace. But we know the true peace that comes from You is available for us all, if we seek it. If we follow You. May peace light our way in this world that desperately needs it. Amen.**

## HYMN

*People Look East*

*UMH #202*

**THE BASKET**     *Building a House for the Lord - Peace*

## **SCRIPTURE Mark 1:1-8**

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ. As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

“See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,  
who will prepare your way,  
the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
‘Prepare the way of the Lord;  
make his paths straight,’ ”

So John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And the whole Judean region and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him and were baptized by him in the River Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the strap of his sandals. I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

**MESSAGE** *Righteousness and Peace will kiss*

**ANTHEM**

*Parish Drive*

## **PRAYER OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

### **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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## **WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING**

**OFFERTORY** *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel vs. 3 & 4*

*UMH #211*

**Doxology**  
***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.***

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Almighty God, we enter this season from a chaotic world filled with violence, division, and injustice. We hear your prophet Isaiah promising comfort -- then John the Baptist calling us to construction projects. We are reminded we are called to prepare the way, to be the designers of peace, the builders of justice, the producers of kindness. As we bring our tithes and offerings to you, we pray that our giving continues to point to the Christ who comes in love and compassion. May our giving in this season reflect our hope for the promised kingdom to reign in our world. We pray this in the name of the Messiah, Jesus our Savior. Amen.

**\* CLOSING HYMN**

*Angels From the Realm of Glory*

*UMH #220*

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Parish Drive*

***Please join us for a time of Fellowship!***

***Thank you for financially supporting our ministry.  
We offer many ways to give:***

*In the sanctuary or by mail.*

Online at [www.umcwayne.org](http://www.umcwayne.org)

<https://giving.ncsservices.org/app/giving/umcwgiving>

Text "GIVING" to 973-447-3223

QR Code:



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS December 10, 2023**

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS December 11 - 17**

#### **Monday December 11<sup>th</sup>**

AA mtg @ 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall (Room 8)

#### **Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup>**

Karate @ 4pm in the underground

Bible Study @ 7pm in Pastor's Office

#### **Wednesday December 13<sup>th</sup>**

Bible Study @ 12pm in the pastor's office BYO Lunch

Karate @ 4pm in the underground

#### **Thursday December 14<sup>th</sup>**

Karate @ 4pm in the underground

Creative Care Ministries

#### **Friday December 15<sup>th</sup>**

Friday Morning Prayer @ 7pm on Facebook

#### **Sunday December 17<sup>th</sup>**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent "Joy" Worship @ 10am

Cookie Sale & Pasta Sauce Sale after worship

Festival of Lessons and Carols @ 4:30pm

*Open House at the Parsonage after the Lessons & Carols.*

### **Prayer and Devotion on Friday Mornings** **at 7am on Facebook.**

**Our Facebook page is: UMC.Wayne**

Join Pastor Ninabeth for this 30 minute gathering.

You do not have to be a Facebook user to participate.

**The words and music in our liturgy, hymns, and songs are by:**

Advent Candle Lighting liturgy is adapted from Rev. Mindi.

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**New Jersey Choral Society**

(Lyn S performing):

December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30

Our Lady of the Valley, Wayne

December 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00

Our Lady of the Valley, Wayne

December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30

Westside Presbyterian Church,  
Ridgewood

**December 17<sup>th</sup> at the UMC in Wayne!**



It's that time again!

**UMC in Wayne Annual  
Cookie Sale!**

**December 17th after Worship**

99 Parish Drive, Wayne, NJ 07470  
officesumcwayne.org

The flyer features a light green background with a white wavy border. It includes illustrations of a gingerbread man, a snowman, and a Christmas tree.



**UMC in Wayne's  
Tomato Sauce**

Yes! This is the famous sauce that was served at our Pasta dinners!

Homemade with love!

Available after worship on December 17th

The flyer has a red background with a white wavy border. It features illustrations of two smiling tomatoes.



Rev. Ninabeth Metcalf and Peter Candela, Music Director

**THE UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH IN WAYNE**

invite you to join us for

**A FESTIVAL OF  
LESSONS AND CAROLS**

Lessons from Christmas Tradition, Poetry, and Scripture	Special Music featuring Jubilation Ringers, Parish Drive, UMC Wayne Choir Special Guests	Carols Traditional, Contemporary, and Congregational
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**DECEMBER 17**

**4:30 pm**

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Admission is free ---- Donations are welcome

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Blue Christmas  
on the  
Longest Night  
Open Sanctuary  
Thursday December 21st  
6pm ~ 8pm

We invite you to come,  
light a candle, place an ornament on our tree  
and sit as long as you like.  
A booklet containing prayers, poems, ritual,  
meditations, and scripture  
will be available in the Narthex.

Quiet peaceful music will be playing throughout the evening.



CHRISTMAS EVE

DECEMBER 24

4th Sunday of Advent Worship @ 10am

Christmas Eve Family Service  
with Parish Drive @ 4:30pm

Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols @ 7:00pm

