

ACOLYTE: Noah Pearce

PLEASE LET US KNOW... If you or someone you know is ill or in the hospital, let the church office know so that we can help in their healing process through our prayers, visits, etc. Thank you!

PRAYER CONCERNS: Doug Nemeth (son of Dot Nemeth), John Chwastyk, John & Catharine Carty, Pati Anne Feeley (daughter-in-law of Jan & Jack Feeley), Nancy Gager (Paul Gager's sister), Emmy Cahilly (11 yr. old niece of Shelly & Greg Kinkaid), Madison Luyber - her parents, Julie and Tony (friends of the Bewleys), Donna Lasoski, Walter Colby (brother-in-law of Jan & Jack Feeley), Heather Oman (niece of The Youse/Mack Family), Jim & Sherry Heller and family (son of Carol Heller), Tina Tesch (niece of Linda Wanagas), Penny McClellan (cousin of Linda Wanagas), Sheryl Moon (former South Valley Elementary School teacher), Carolyn Myers, Mary Raroha, Carol Heller, Mary Berner.

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

Both services are live streamed on Facebook and YouTube

<https://www.instagram.com/fumc.moorestown> <https://www.facebook.com/fumcmoorestown>



December 12, 2021 **Third Sunday of Advent** 11:00 A.M.
A United Methodist Community in Moorestown, New Jersey
"A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ with a hurting world through words and actions."

PRELUDE My Wild Irish Rose and O Come All Ye Faithful
Sarah Sempier, French Horn

WELCOME Pastor Gina

***HYMN #211** O Come, O Come Emmanuel vs 1-4

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Pastor Gina

We come from a world of darkness

Into Christ's world of light.

We come from a world of weariness

Into God's strength and hope.

We come from a slumbering world.

**Strengthened by the Spirit, we come to awaken our souls
and wait for the coming of Christ.**

With great hope, let us worship God!

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Gina

God of hope, we come to you in the midst of a world fraught with troubles. Although the darkness is powerful, open our eyes, Lord, to the light of your presence. Give us faith to stand against the troubles of the world around us and the despair we too often feel. Through your Spirit, send us angels and remake us into hope-filled disciples, discovering lives attune to your wonder, and sparking in others a desire to know you more. In the name of the One who comes to us, we pray, Amen.

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE OF HOPE

The Pearce Family

Congregational Sung Response # 216 vs1 Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

YOUNG DISCIPLE'S TIME

Pastor Jess

A fun learning time with the Pastor for all kids.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

Adult Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER / THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Gina

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

PRAYER RESPONSE # 198 vs 1 My Soul Gives Glory to My God

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

A Child of Hope

Smith

Doug Sell, soloist; Adult Choir

CELEBRATING OUR GIFTS FOR MISSION & MINISTRY Pastor Gina

We welcome all who worship with us this morning. We ask you to prayerfully consider giving generously to support the ministries of FUMC and the communities we serve for Christ. You can place your offering and the Attendance Card including any special prayer requests you may have in the offering basket located in the worship space or send them to church@meetwithGod.com.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION #210** All Earth Is Waiting

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:8-20, 57, and 67-79 (Common English Bible)

John Halligan, Pastor Gina & Pastor Jess

MESSAGE:**It's a Wonderful Life: Finding Hope**

Pastor Jess

***CLOSING HYMN #240** Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Jess

POSTLUDE**THE PEOPLE STAND**