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# An Order for the Service of Worship and Holy Communion

1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ADVENT

9:30 AM

NOVEMBER 30, 2025

PRELUDE

Ms. Becky Oliver, Organist

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Tim Drum

GATHERING HYMN     **Good Christian Friends, Rejoice**     UMH #224

HYMN     ***Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus***     UM Hymnal #196

LIGHTING OF THE 1<sup>ST</sup> ADVENT CANDLE     TFWS #2090

Light the Advent candle, one: Now the waiting has begun;

We have started on our way, time to think of Christmas day.

CHORUS

Candle, candle, burning bright, shining in the cold winter night;

Candle, candle, burning bright, fill our hearts with Christmas light.

MORNING PRAYERS:

Rev. Tim Drum

Prayer Concerns/Praises from the Congregation

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

OFFERTORY AND DOXOLOGY

The Ushers and Congregation

HYMN     ***I Want to Be Ready***     UM Hymnal #722

SCRIPTURE READING     ***Matthew 24:36-44 (NT p26)*** Rev. Drum, Reader

SERMON     ***"Keep Your Eyes Open"***     Rev. Drum

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

**TAKING THE BREAD AND CUP**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

And so,

with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

And so,

in remembrance of these your might acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and forever.

**Amen.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**BREAKING THE BREAD**

**GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP**

**SENDING FORTH**

PARTING HYMN

***Soon and Very Soon***

UM Hymnal #206

BENEDICTION

Rev. Drum

POSTLUDE

Ms. Oliver

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**Jacksons Grove extends a warm welcome to all newcomers.**

**A cordial welcome** is extended to all who visit with us today! It is a delight to be able to worship with you! Come back soon and often. If we can help you in any way, please let us know.

Rev. Tim Drum, Pastor, Jacksons Grove UMC

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