



Welcome to Spirit of Hope

A Community of Faith in ministry together with

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Sunday, December 21, 2025 – Order of Service

Lessons and Carols

Fourth Sunday Of Advent

LOVE

Join the service LIVE beginning at ~10:20AM

<https://youtube.com/@spiritofhopeunitedchurch791>

Live Stream

The cameras are focused on whoever is speaking, but others may be shown briefly on camera occasionally. If you want to avoid being on camera, you might consider sitting nearer to the back or watching the service on the TV in the Lobby.

Prayer Candles

On the right side of the sanctuary, there are candles. Before or during the service today, you are invited to light a candle(s) as an act of prayer. It might be a prayer of concern or celebration, of joy or worry, for yourself or others.

Offerings Welcome

You are invited to make your contributions in the box located at the back of the Sanctuary. Offerings can be made before, during, or after the service. Thank you for your generosity!

Prelude

Welcome and Acknowledging the Land

The Spark

Learning, Changing, Growing Together

Advent Wreath: VU7 “Hope is a Star” (verses 1 -4)

Choir: VU882 “Prepare the Way, O Zion”

Opening Prayer/Call To Worship

The Prayer of Jesus

Processional Carol: VU17 “O Ancient Love”

First Lesson:

The peace that Christ will bring foretold

Isaiah 11:1-3a, 4a, 6-9

Choir:

“Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day” by *Richard Shephard*

Second Lesson:

The prophet foretells the coming Messiah

Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7

Carol: VU29 *“Hark, the Glad Sound”*

Third Lesson:

The angel Gabriel salutes the young maiden, Mary.

Luke 1: 26-35, 38

Offertory Carol: MV134 *“Dreaming Mary”*



Fourth Lesson:

St. Luke tells the birth of Jesus

Luke 2:1, 3-7

Choir: *“In The Bleak Midwinter”* by *Ian Higginson*

Carol: VU38 *“Angels We Have Heard on High”*

The Fifth Lesson:

The Shepherds go to the manger

Luke 2: 8-16

Choir: *“Wexford Carol”* by *Don Micheal Dicie SJMP*

Sixth Lesson:

Magi from the east are led by a star to Jesus

Matthew 2: 1-12

Choir: *“Wise Men Journey From The East”* by *Karl Maults*

Seventh Lesson:

St. John unfolds the great mystery of the incarnation

John 1: 1-14

Choir:

“Break Forth , O Beauteous Heavenly Light” by *Warren Mack*

Carol: VU60 *“O Come All Ye Faithful”* (verse 1, 2, and 3)

Blessing and Sending Forth

Carol: VU48 *“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”*

Postlude:

A Playful Carillon on “Hark! The Herald Angel Sing”

by *Warren Mack*

AFTER CHURCH

Please stay and enjoy a time of visiting and refreshments
in the Lower Hall.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Host:

Phyllis Verhaar

Musician:

Warren Mack

Audio and Visual:

Thomas V.G.

Refreshments:

Lynne Mansell and Bev Moore

