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MT. LEBANON EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
**COMMUNION SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE**  
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT • **PEACE** • DECEMBER 7, 2025

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**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Pastor Cinda Isler

**PRELUDE**

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

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**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH CANDLES**

Sunday Women’s Group

Leader: Last week, we lit the first candle of Advent, the candle of Hope. Today we light the second candle of Advent, the candle of Peace, that is ours in Jesus. We travel during these days to the stable and the manger where the One named the Prince of Peace is born.

**All: “But you, Bethlehem, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel” . . . and He will be their peace.**

Leader: He will stand and shepherd His flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord . . . and He will be their peace.

**All: They will live securely, for then His greatness will reach to the ends of the earth. And He will be their peace. (Micah 5:2-5)**

Leader: “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.” (John 14:27)

**All: We now prepare our hearts again to celebrate the coming Prince of Peace.**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**OPENING MUSIC**

“I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day”  
“Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”

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**CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**SONG OF ASSURANCE**

“Still, Still, Still”

**CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FOR CHILDREN’S WORSHIP**

**TIME FOR GREETING**

**GLORIA PATRI**

“Glory Be to the Father”

#813

**SCRIPTURE**

Isaiah 9:6-7 and Luke 2:8-15

**SERMON**

“Proclaiming Peace”

Pastor Carolyn Poteet

**CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day, He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there, He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**OFFERTORY**

“Winter Snow”

**DOXOLOGY**

#815

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

Elders will bring the elements to your seat. We shall partake of each element together. Please use time before and after you are served for prayer and meditation. Allergy and gluten-free bread is available at the center of each serving tray.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND 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 debts as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## CLOSING SONG

"Go, Tell It on The Mountain"

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## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

Harmon



*Peace*