

## WE WELCOME YOU!

Thank you for worshipping with us today. We're glad you're here! Please fill out the Ritual of Friendship book located in the pew. If you have a prayer concern, or would like to request a pastoral visit, please complete the Prayer Card found in the pews.

## CHILD CARE

During the 8:30am worship service child care is provided in the Nursery (Room 208) for Infants thru Preschoolers, and at 11:00am for Infants through Toddlers.

During the 11:00am worship service Pre-Schoolers - Kindergartners are invited to Playful Praise in Room 102 following the Children's Time

## COFFEE HOUR IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Please join us in the fellowship hall following the 8:30am worship service for coffee and snacks. The Women's "Praying for a Cure" Relay for Life Team will be our hosts and look forward to seeing you. This is a great time to greet visitors and connect with your church family.



The Flowers today are given by Tom and Betty Sacco in honor of their 55th Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations Tom and Betty!

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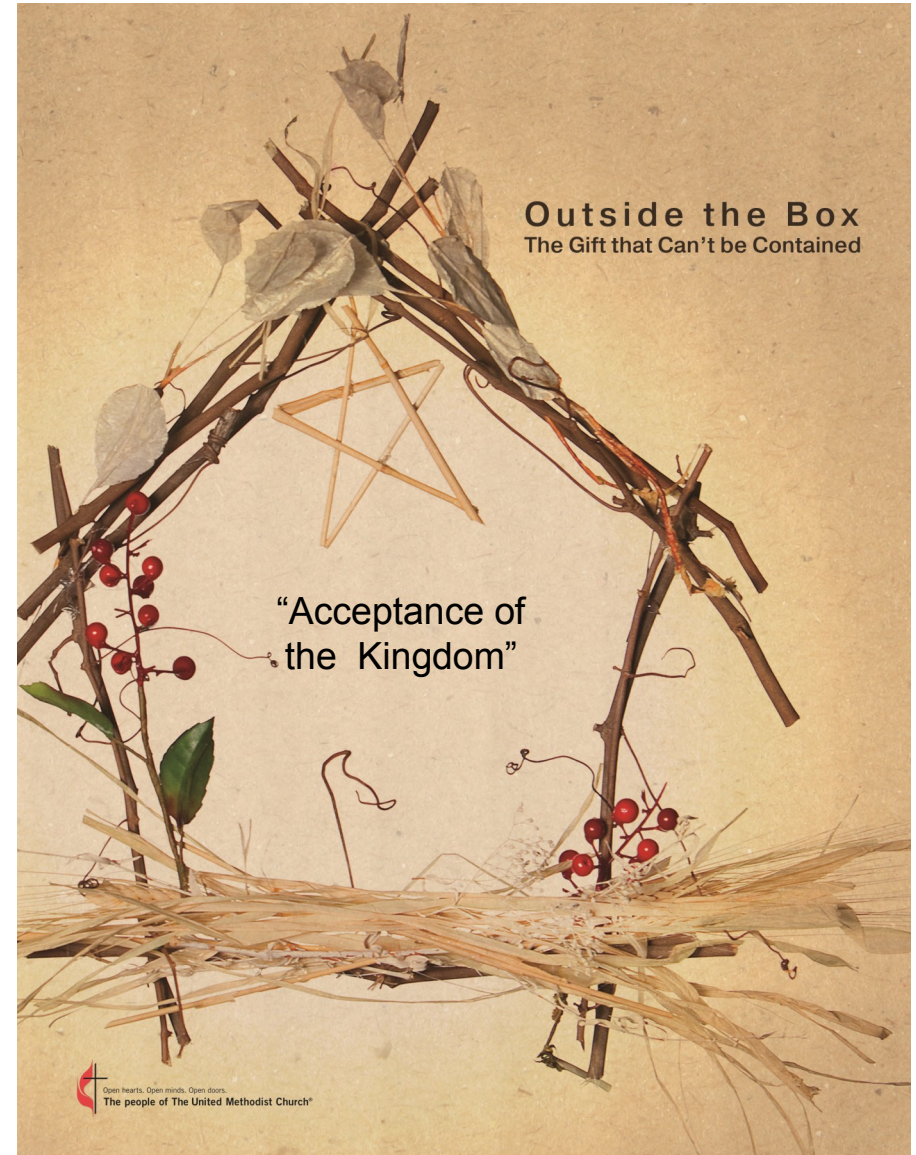
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PLAINFIELD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

DECEMBER 4, 2011

8:30AM AND 11:00AM

**Sunday, December 4, 2011**

*Second Sunday of Advent*

**GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE**

**ORGAN PRELUDE**

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHORAL INTROIT** (8:30a) *O Come, O Come Emanuel*, arr. DeGroot

**\*PRAISE HYMNS** (11a) UMH #204 *“Emmanuel, Emmanuel”*  
TFWS #2071 *“Jesus Name above All Names”*

**\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Watch! Wait! The day of God is at hand!

**Like the bud on a tree, God’s possibilities are about to blossom!**

Stay awake! The reign of God is very near.

**We are here, watching and waiting. May God bring justice to all people this very day. We rejoice in God as children of the Light!**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** (8:30a) UMH #204 *“Emmanuel, Emmanuel”*

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

Lord, we come this morning faced with choices and events that try our souls. We fear, and apprehension fills our living. We cry aloud, “I am scared!” May our hearts and spirits hear a word of hope and assurance. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

**\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE AND OTHER GREETINGS**

The peace of the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

**ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING**

Advent Candle Lighting: (8:30a) Valkema Family  
(11a) Price Family

**All: Merciful God, let us come to accept those things we had expected to be different. Move us beyond acceptance and into a life committed to your higher purposes. Amen.**

TFWS #2090 *“Advent Song”* (verse 2)

**CHILDREN’S TIME**

Kathy Wellman

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

**CHORAL ANTHEM** (8:30a) *The Glory of the Father* ~ Egil Hovland

**SPECIAL MUSIC** (11a) *“The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came”*  
arr. Raney, Bellissimo Ringers

**\*GOSPEL LESSON** Mark 1:1-8

**SERMON** *“Acceptance of the Kingdom”* Rev Eun-Hye Choi

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**INVITATION AND CONFESSION** UMH #12

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING FOR ADVENT** See Insert

**THE LORD’S PRAYER** (“trespasses”)

**SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP**

**SPECIAL MUSIC DURING THE SHARING** (11a) Ben Wyland  
Flute Solo

**PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING**

**WORSHIP IN TITHES AND OFFERING**

Offertory

\*Doxology UMH #94

\*Prayer of Dedication

**\*CLOSING HYMN** UMH #220 *“Angels from the Realms of Glory”*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION** (8:30a) *May the Lord Bless You* ~  
Winnagene Hatch

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (11a) UMH #666 *Shalom to You*

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**