

**MISSION STATEMENT:**  
**Equipping people for a growing relationship  
with Jesus Christ to serve all.**

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**WE WELCOME YOU!**

Thank you for worshiping with us today. We're glad you're here!  
Please fill out the Ritual of Friendship book located in the pew.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

If you have a gratitude you wish to share, a prayer concern or  
would like to request a pastoral visit, please complete the  
appropriate card found in the pews and place it in the offering  
plate.

**CHILD CARE**

At the 8:30am and 10:00am worship services child care is  
provided in the Nursery (Room 208) for Infants thru  
Preschoolers, and at 11:00am for Infants through Toddlers.  
At the 11:00am worship service Pre-Schoolers through  
Kindergartners are invited to Playful Praise in Room 102  
following the Children's Time

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Rev. Eun-Hye Choi, Lead Pastor  
Rev. Chris Walters, Associate Pastor  
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***The Gift of Relationships***

December 8, 2013

11:00AM

## 2nd Sunday of Advent

11:00am Worship

*\*Indicates congregation stands*

***Bold type indicates to read in unison***

### PRELUDE

*Worship Band Instrumental*

### GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*HYMNS OF PREPARATION** TFWS #2040 *“Awesome God”* (2X)  
TFWS #2065 *“More Precious Than Silver”* (2X)

**\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** (Rev. Nathan Decker, GBOD)  
We come to worship the coming King. The One who was and is and is to come!

**Robed in Justice, carrying equity in his heart, Righteousness is a belt around his waist, faithfulness in the clasps of his sandals.**

We have prepared ourselves for worship.

**We intend to do no harm; to love our neighbors and to stay in love with God!**

We look forward to the Reign of the coming King!

**The wolves will walk with the lambs; the leopards skip with the kids; and the calves will be friends with the lion cubs. Peace will come through the root of Jesse, and we will abide with the King!**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION**  
TFWS #2065 *“More Precious Than Silver”* (2X)

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

The Peace of the Lord be with you

**And also with you**

### ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Hart Family

**ADVENT HYMN** UMH #218 (vs. 3) *“It Came upon the Midnight Clear”*

### CHILDREN’S TIME

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer (trespasses)

UMH #895

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 11:1-10 (OT page 640)

**ANTHEM** *“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”* Worship Band  
Featuring: Larry Stephens

### \*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 3:1-12 (NT page 2)

### SERMON

*“The Gift of Relate-Son-ships”* Rev. Chris Walters

### WORSHIP IN TITHES AND OFFERING

Offertory

\*Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

UMH #94

**\*CLOSING HYMN** UMH #196 *“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”*

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*Worship Band Instrumental*