

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2019 11:00AM

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United Methodist Hymnal (hard-cover) / "The Faith We Sing" (soft-cover)

### GATHERING MUSIC

### GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

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as a sign of peace among all people.

*(Light one candle on the wreath.)*

Reader Two: Come, let us go up to the mountain  
of the Lord, that God may teach us the ways of peace.

**Congregation: Come, O Come, Emmanuel.**

ADVENT CANDLE SONG (on screen)

\*OPENING MUSIC UMH #196  
*"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"*

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC Children's Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. Sherry Steele  
(Preschoolers through Kindergarten are invited to Playful  
Praise. Parents can pick your children up in Rm 202.)

SPECIAL MUSIC *"King of Kings"* -Hillsong Worship

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Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (on screen)

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\*Prayer of Dedication

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9:45a Sunday School (all ages)  
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