ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome to Church Hill United Methodist Church! As we gather in a spirit of worship, we respectfully request that all worshippers be seated and refrain from speaking once the prelude music begins.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND GOD AT WORK IN OUR CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Pastor: Now is the time of watching and waiting.
People: The time of pregnant expectation of new life.
Pastor: Now is the season of hope unfolding.
People: The dark winter season when hope is waiting to be born.
Pastor: Let us come before God with receptive and willing spirits.
People: May our souls magnify God's name and may our spirits rejoice in God our Savior!
All: Rejoice! God comes to bring the birthday of life and hope. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE	People, Look East	UMH #202
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BLESSING OF CHRISMON TREE & REMEMBRANCE WREATH

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Verse 1 of O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (UMH #211) is sung.

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

INTROIT Glory Be to the Father UMH #70

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PASTORAL PRAYER ~ If you have a prayer request, please wait for the usher to hand you the microphone so that persons watching from home can clearly hear your request.

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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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Listening to God's Story

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 24:36-44 (NRSV)

"But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in the days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so, too, will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken, and one will be left. Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

GOOD NEWS

Rev. Nicholas Perez

Sharing Our Lives with God in Thanksgiving

OFFERTORY

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

UMH #94

UMH #206

SENDING FORTH WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Nicholas' Contact Information Cell #: (803) 530-1429 Email: <u>ndperez@umcsc.org</u> Office Hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 am – 1 pm or by appointment.

Church Hill Masking Policy

Masks are optional for vaccinated persons. We recommend that unvaccinated persons wear a mask during the worship service.

Upcoming Meetings and Events (See Chimes for additional information)

Snowflake Festival Saturday, December 3 from 9 am to 2 pm in the fellowship hall. Studies on the Stage December 4, 11, and 18 at 9 am <u>Christmas Eve Service of Lessons and Carols</u> Saturday, December 24 at 7 pm in the sanctuary. <u>Christmas Day Worship Service</u> Sunday, December 25 at 10 am in the sanctuary. <u>Christmas Day Dinner</u> Sunday, December 25 at 11:30 am in fellowship hall.

Thank you to all participated in the Chrismon workshop and/or the Hanging of the Greens last Sunday!

WORSHIP SERVANTS

- * Church Council Chair: Harriet Loring
- * Organist: Dan Spahn
- * Scripture Reader: Ruthelyn Desmond
- * Usher: Betsy Adams
- * Preacher: Rev. Nicholas Perez

WELCOME

CHURCH HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NOVEMBER 27, 2022

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ 10:00 AM



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