

December 10, 2023
Worship Series: The Gift of Being Present
Message: Being Present with Peace
UMH – United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS – The Faith We Sing
*Stand in body or in spirit

Cantors: The Quartet

Prelude *Rejoice! The King Shall Come* Franconia Musica

Welcome/Announcements Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Threshold Moment

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Advent Reader: We once again light the Candle of Hope.

Today, we light the Candle of Peace,
remembering that Jesus is the Prince of Peace
and as a sign that we will be present with peace in the world.

Reader: Let us pray.

People: Holy Living Light of God,
You are our Peaceful Presence.
Let this peace grow in our lives each day,
so we can be a Present of Peace to others.
Unwrap and open our hearts. AMEN.

*Hymn *O Day of Peace that Dimly Shines* UMH 729

Dramatic Reading *The Gift of Peace* Allie Adams & Bruce Bartolain

Children's Moment Linda Biscardo

Prayer Song *Right Here, Right Now*

Prayers of People Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

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.

Offering Song	<i>O Magnum Mysterium</i>	Bob Shuffett
*Doxology		UMH 95
*Prayer of Thanksgiving Gospel Reading	Mark 1: 1-8	Karen Coltrin
*Hymn	<i>Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming</i>	UMH 216
Message	<i>Being Present with Peace</i>	Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
*Hymn	<i>Come Now, O Prince of Peace</i>	TFWS 2232
*Benediction		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
Postlude	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i>	The Quartet