

December 24, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Worship Series: The Gift of Being Present
Message: Being Present with Love
UMH – United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS – The Faith We Sing
*Stand in body or in spirit

Gathering *He Has Come For Us* Praise Band
Love Came Down

Welcome/Announcements Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Threshold Moment

*Lighting of the Advent Wreath The Aikman Family

Reader: Let us pray.

People: Holy Living Light of God,

You are our Loving Presence.

Let this love grow in our lives each day,
so we can be a Present of Love to others.

Unwrap and open our hearts. AMEN.

Dramatic Reading *The Gift of Love* Linda Biscardo & Zach Chambers

Children's Moment Linda Biscardo

Prayer Song *Right Here, Right Now*

Right here, Right now, we open our senses.
To see and perceive, the gifts we've been given.
To know and believe, that what we must do,
is open our hearts to let all our gifts through.

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 *Mary Did You Know?* Praise Band

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Gospel Reading Luke 1:26-38 Sam Patricola

Message *Being Present with Love* Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

*Closing Song *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus* Praise Band

*Benediction Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Postlude *He Has Come For Us (Reprise)* Praise Band