

10:00am  
Traditional Worship  
Sanctuary



HENNEPIN  
AVENUE UMC

December 2, 2018

First Sunday of Advent

Where + is indicated, standing or sitting, we praise God.  
You are invited to read aloud the bold text.

## We Gather to Worship God

PRELUDE

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

arr. Cathy Moklebust

Hennepin Chime

CHORAL INTROIT

*Do you see what I see?*

*Do you hear what I hear?*

*Do you know what I know?*

*Christ, coming soon, bringing goodness and light!*

+LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE

Jeremiah 22:14-16

Bethany & Matt Charlsen, Josie Charlsen, Donna Packer

Let us join together in the words of the prophet Jeremiah:

The days are coming, declares the Lord,

**when I will fulfill the gracious promise I made to the house of Israel and to the house of Judah.**

In those days and at that time I will make a righteous branch sprout from David's line;

**he will do what is just and right in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety.**

This is the name by which it will be called:

**The Lord Our Righteousness.**

This morning we light the first candle in the Advent wreath. This candle stands for *seeing*, seeing in the darkness, believing in the things that eyes can't necessarily see and yet are real in the promise of God's words. Though there is darkness in the world, we navigate by the hope we find in our loving God: **Come, Lord Jesus.**



See!



*Do You Hear What I Hear?*  
A four-week Advent series

**Dec 2** **First Sunday of Advent**  
*Do You Hear What I Hear?*  
See!  
Luke 21:25-36  
Rev. Nate Melcher

Dec 9 *Hear!*  
Malachi 3:1-4  
Rev. Judy Zabel

Dec 16 *Know!*  
Zephaniah 3:14-20  
Rev. Judy Zabel

*Blue Christmas Worship Service*  
5:00pm, Art Gallery  
Rev. Frenchye Magee

Dec 23 *Pray!*  
Luke 1:46b-55  
Rev. Frenchye Magee

Dec 24 **Christmas Eve**  
*Contemplative Christmas*  
2:00pm, Art Gallery  
Rev. Frenchye Magee

*Christmas Pageant*  
4:00pm, Sanctuary  
Rev. Nate Melcher

*Carols & Candlelight*  
7:30pm, Sanctuary  
(7:00pm Prelude Concert)  
Rev. Judy Zabel

*Candlelight Communion*  
11:00pm, Sanctuary  
(10:30pm Prelude Concert)  
Rev. Judy Zabel

+ HYMN

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

HYFRYDOL

**Come, thou long-expected Jesus,  
Born to set thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us,  
Let us find our rest in thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation,  
Hope of all the earth thou art;  
Dear desire of every nation,  
Joy of every longing heart.**

**God of day and God of darkness,  
Now we stand before the night;  
As the shadows stretch and deepen,  
Come and make our darkness bright.  
All creation still is groaning  
For the dawning of your might,  
When the Sun of peace and justice  
Fills the earth with radiant light.**

**Still the nations curse the darkness,  
Still the rich oppress the poor;  
Still the earth is bruised and broken  
By the ones who still want more.  
Come and wake us from our sleeping,  
So our hearts cannot ignore  
All your people lost and broken,  
All your children at our door.**

**Born thy people to deliver,  
Born a child and yet a King,  
Born to reign in us forever,  
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By thine own eternal spirit  
Rule in all our hearts alone;  
By thine all sufficient merit,  
Raise us to thy glorious throne.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Frenchye Magee

**It is Advent and we await your arrival with shivers of anticipation, O Holy One. We sense your presence breaking into this world and quake under the star, high in the sky and guiding us to you. The path to you is not always clear and we confess our straying, our wandering, and our abandoning ways. Through the veils of this world, we strain to see you clearly. Pull back the curtain, God of Light, reveal the star in the night and unveil to us a life worthy of the grace and forgiveness you offer in unending abundance. See us completely now in our silent confession to you...**



SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CANTICLE OF LIGHT AND DARKNESS

Carol Southward

**Musical Response (R):**



**We look for light but find darkness,  
For brightness, but walk in gloom.  
We grope like those who have no eyes;  
We stumble at noon as in the twilight. (R)**

**If I say, "Let only darkness cover me,  
And the light about me be night,"  
Even the darkness is not dark to you  
The night is bright as day,  
For darkness is as light with you. (R)**

**Blessed by your name, O God, forever.  
You reveal deep and mysterious things;  
You are light and in you is no darkness.  
Our darkness is passing away  
And already the true light is shining. (R)**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Nate Melcher

Children are invited forward for the Time with Children.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Rev. Nate Melcher

+ SHARING THE PEACE

May the peace of God be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Please greet each other by name and with a sign of reconciliation and peace.

## In Our Prayers This Week

### In Hospital

Milton Alberto Jones  
Kristin Koch-Wahl  
E. Sharon Hayenga

### Care Center

Doug Jeranson

### Recovering at Home

LaVonne Grover

### Prayer Requests

Bob Beach  
Kate Lewis  
Michelle and Debbie Malouf

### Prayers for Our Koinonia Guests

Wright County Project for Teens  
Retreat  
Help with the Holidays - Retreat for  
Grieving Parents

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

New Wesley Foundation at  
Minnesota State University

### Prayers for Our World

Families of 196 persons still missing  
after California wildfires  
First responders and their families  
U.S. military active duty and  
military families  
Local, state and national leaders  
World leaders and the  
international peace process  
A just and compassionate  
response to asylum seekers  
All who are homeless, especially  
those in the Hiawatha  
encampment

### Prayers for Our Church

You are invited to pray from 2:23-  
2:26 pm each day for the 864  
delegates and 200 alternates  
who will attend the 2019 General  
Conference, and for the mission,  
ministry, and unity of the United  
Methodist Church as we discern  
the way forward.

# We Hear the Word

+ GOSPEL READING

Luke 21:25-36 (*The Message*)

The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*See!*

Rev. Nate Melcher

# We Respond to the Word

GIVING OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS & OURSELVES

Rev. Judy Zabel

MUSICAL OFFERING *Watchman, Tell Us of the Night* Alan Hovhannes  
Jon Nordstrom, bass; Sanctuary Choir

+ PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS & DOXOLOGY

VENI EMMANUEL

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Maker, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel*

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

Musical Setting D, Hymnal pg. 23

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

ANTHEM

*In the Bleak Midwinter*  
Hennepin Chime

Gustav Holst  
arr. Karen Buckwalter

## HYMN

*Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers*

LLANGLOFFAN

Re - joice! Re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap -  
See that your lamps are burn - ing, re - plen - ish them with  
Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap -

pear; The ev - ning is ad - vanc - ing and dark - er night is  
oil, Look now for your sal - va - tion, the end of sin and  
pear; A - rise, thou sun so long'd for, A - bove this shad - owed

near. The Bride - groom is a - ris - ing and  
toil. The marr - iage fest is wait - ing, the  
sphere! With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, We

soon he will draw nigh; Up watch with ex - pec -  
gates wide o - pen stand; A - rise, O heirs of  
plead, O Lord, to see the day of earth's re -

ta - tion, at mid - night comes the cry.  
glo - ry, the Bride - groom is at hand!  
demp - tion, and e - ver be with thee!

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT



# We Take the Word Into the World

The Acolytes lead us in carrying the light of Christ into the world.

## Clergy

Frenchye Magee, Associate Pastor of  
Congregational Care &  
Invitational Discipleship  
Nate Melcher, Associate Pastor of  
Faith Development  
Judy Zabel, Senior Pastor  
Jim McChesney, Pastoral Care/Visitation

## Twin Cities District Superintendent

Dan Johnson

## Minnesota Area Bishop

Bruce R. Ough

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+ HYMN No. 213     *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*     TRURO

+ BENEDICTION

+ POSTLUDE     *Partita on "Freu Dich Sehr"; Var. 11*     Georg Böhm  
Andrew Hackett, Organ

Georg Böhm was an early Baroque organist who worked in central Germany. It is likely he was a teacher of the young J. S. Bach. Today's postlude comes from a set of variations based on a Genevan Psalter tune which frequently accompanies the advent text from Isaiah "Comfort, Comfort Ye, My People." In this variation, the tune is played with long notes in the middle of the texture, while large chords surround and punctuate it.

Today's sanctuary flowers are given by Bonnie Porte  
in loving memory of husband, Al, and parents, Bill and Jean Berger.

## Hennepin Marketplace & Book Fair

Today, in Carlson Hall

Support the wonderful work of Outreach Ministries by purchasing crafts and goodies from across the world. Also find some great books for your holiday gift giving. Our book fair features books for ages birth through middle school, and provides family faith resources for intentional faith development at home. Tickets for *Race, Religion, and Response: An Evening with Jim Wallis* will also be on sale.

## Entry Point

Today, 11:30am in the Longfellow Room

If you'd like to become a member of Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church, plan to come to Entry Point. We'll get to know each other, answer questions and talk about how to become a member.

## Adulting 101: Slacktivist to Activist

Today, 1pm in the Longfellow Room

Young adults, it's time to get active supporting causes and engaging issues you care about. Come and hear from local activists about how to get involved in the movements that matter to you.

## Poinsettia Dedications

Honor or remember the special people in your life and make the sanctuary Christmas-card beautiful with a poinsettia dedication! Stop by the Reception Desk to complete your dedication form and make payment of \$20 by check or cash. There will also be a poinsettia table at the Hennepin Marketplace today. Poinsettia gifts dedicated by December 17 will be recognized on a poster in the East Entry on Christmas Eve.

## Angel Tree

Now-Dec 9, in the East Entry

We are, once again, partnering with Minnesota Council of Churches Refugee Resettlement to provide Christmas gifts to children who have resettled in the Twin Cities in the past year. Select an ornament, do your shopping, and return the ornament and gifts to the East Entry bin.

## Thank you for the Floral Donations

The floral donations during 2018 have been enjoyed by members and guests. Thank you for your dedications of joy, sorrow, memories, and appreciation this year. The 2019 Flower Calendar is posted on the kiosk in Carlson Hall.

## Help for the Holidays:

### A Retreat for Grieving Parents

December 7-9, at Koinonia Retreat Center

The time between Thanksgiving and New Year's is difficult for grieving people. Join us for this parents' retreat — a time for moms and dads who have experienced the death of a child of any age. Cost is \$50/person. Scholarships available. **Register at [haumc.org/register](http://haumc.org/register).**

## The Tune Ups: Winter Concert

December 8, 7pm in the Art Gallery

Founded in 2011, The Tune Ups is a post-collegiate 12-voice mixed a cappella group based in Minneapolis. You will hear favorites from Top 40, Broadway, Alternative, Folk Rock, Country, and mash-ups. Tickets are \$7 at [tuneupsmn.com](http://tuneupsmn.com) or \$10 cash at the door. Children age 12 and under are free!

## Sing Out, My Soul! Advent Concert

December 9, 11:30am in the Sanctuary

Join the HAUMC Sanctuary Choir, Hennepin Singers, soloists and orchestra in their annual Advent Concert. This performance is free, and the community cordially invited.

## Life Adventures:

### A Musical Treat for the Holidays

December 14, 12 noon in the Social Hall

Hennepin seniors and friends, organist Andrew Hackett invites us to the Sanctuary for a program that is sure to get us into the holiday spirit. **Prepaid reservations are due by noon Monday, Dec. 10.** Cost is \$18, and includes lunch.

## Hennepin Kids Dinner Theater

December 15, 1pm in the Social Hall

Parents Go, Kids Stay! Parents — drop your kids at Hennepin for the afternoon. They will be busy creating a Christmas show and setting up a special dinner for you! Return to Hennepin by 5pm to enjoy dinner and the show. Cost is \$20/child. Scholarships are available. **Register at [haumc.org/register](http://haumc.org/register).**

## Christmas on Copper Street

December 16, 3pm in the Sanctuary

Copper Street Brass's popular holiday concert celebrates the stories and sounds of the season. Tickets are available via phone (763) 307-3452 or the ensemble's website: [copperstreetbrass.org](http://copperstreetbrass.org). Cost: Adults \$25, Students \$10.

## Blue Christmas Service

December 16, 5pm in the Art Gallery

Holiday blues? We welcome you to Hennepin for our Blue Christmas service. We'll gather to share words and music of comfort, consolation, and hope. This subdued service of soothing music and gentle prayer will restore a little peace to your soul. Always open to all.

## News From Koinonia

Now is the time to sign up for the 2018-19 New Year's Retreat at Koinonia Retreat Center — a wonderful way to close out the holiday season! **Register at [haumc.org/register](http://haumc.org/register).**

Get full details of upcoming events:

- subscribe to eSpire, our weekly digital newsletter, at [haumc.org/email](http://haumc.org/email)
- visit the events page of our website, [haumc.org/events](http://haumc.org/events), and select Announcements Calendar
- request a printed copy of the weekly eSpire newsletter from the receptionist

# We Welcome You!



We're glad you're here, and we'd love to get to know you better. Please leave your contact information in the **Friendship Pads** found in each pew. If this is your first visit, welcome. If you are returning, welcome back!

**Pick up your welcome bag** as you leave.

**Grab a cup of coffee** in Carlson Hall. Our thanks to Jim Cone of Coffee and Tea, Ltd.—our coffee supplier.

**Enjoy Sunday Brunch in the Social Hall.** From 10am to 12noon, enjoy a delicious Sunday Bruch spread, prepared by Chef Warren Seta. The recommended cost is \$7 per person, but don't stay away if you cannot pay. Fellowship and food is available for everyone.

**We love children.** At Hennepin, there's a place for every child on Sunday mornings! Our services are family-friendly, and Sunday school is just down the hall. Wee Ones (children ages newborn to 3) are welcome in Nursery Care, where loving volunteers will care for your child while you worship. The Nursery is located in room 101 of the Education Wing. Ask an usher or the receptionist if you would like help finding this room.

**Sacred Journey** welcomes people of all ages to worship with us. Sacred Journey is full of music and movement to keep you and your family engaged.

At **Traditional Worship** in the Sanctuary, our play-and-pray area provides a comfortable rug and baskets of quiet toys for kids to use. Following the opening prayers and blessings, children ages 3-13 are invited to participate in Time with Children at the front of the Sanctuary, and then follow their friends and teachers to join in our Hennepin Kids for LYFE Sunday School programming in the Education Wing. Your children are welcome to stay with you, too. You will find worship bags containing child-friendly activities, as well as baskets of children's books, at all sanctuary entrances.

**Tour our beautiful building.** Meet at the front of the Sanctuary following 10:00am traditional worship service.

Thank you for giving!  
You can give online at [www.haumc.org/give](http://www.haumc.org/give) or fill out an envelope in your pew. Hunger Offerings fund our Outreach ministries. See [www.haumc.org/outreach](http://www.haumc.org/outreach) for more information.



Worship from wherever you are: Watch the Live Stream at [www.haumc.org/live](http://www.haumc.org/live) or download the app: **HAUMC Live Stream**

**Communion Service**  
8:00am in Border Chapel

**Sacred Journey**  
8:30am in Art Gallery

**Traditional Worship**  
10:00am in Sanctuary

## About HAUMC



HAUMC is a **Reconciling** congregation and welcomes all persons without regard to age, race, culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, family configuration, religious background, economic status, or developmental and physical ability.

## Caring Community

**Pastoral Care:** Please notify the church office if you, a family member or any other loved one is experiencing illness, hospitalization, or is in need of pastoral care. Please call 612-871-5303 and ask for Pastoral Care, ext. 771 or email [PastoralCare@haumc.org](mailto:PastoralCare@haumc.org).

### Our Mission

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

### Our Vision

We will grow in our love of God and neighbor, welcome new people and heal a broken world.

### Our Values

Radical Hospitality  
Passionate Worship  
Intentional Faith Development  
Risk-Taking Mission & Service  
Extravagant Generosity