

OFFERING

Many in our community give their tithes and offerings online (rescov.org/give) and yet we believe it is still good and right to give God thanks as part of our worship. If you have offering this morning you are welcome to place it in the basket in the center aisle as we give God thanks.

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

As we continue to navigate the implications of Covid we invite you to come down the center aisle, receive the bread and then proceed to the front side aisles to partake of the cup which is in individual portions. Place your empty cups in one of the baskets that can be found on the end-seats in the front rows of the side aisles.

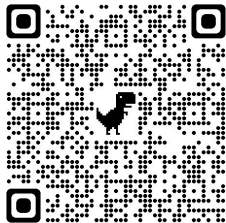
SENDING

SONG* - Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence (#127)

CHARGE & BLESSING*

*Stand, as you are able

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GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP* (*Chris Shelton*)

The day is coming:

when all nations will seek out God's ways.

The day is coming:

when God will bring about reconciliation and peace.

The day is coming:

**when swords will be beaten into plowshares,
and all weapons into tools for gardening.**

The day is coming:

**when nation shall not fight against nation,
and the word "war" will be long forgotten.**

The day is coming:

Oh, let it come!

PROCESSION AND LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

PROCESSION SONG*

Hope will not fail, no, hope will not fail,
though anguish and apathy seem to prevail,
no, hope will not fail; hope, hope will prevail.

SONG* - El Mensaje que Hoy Proclamamos

El mensaje que hoy proclamamos,
es justicia, es paz para el mundo.
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es justicia, es paz para el mundo.

Hear the message we are now proclaiming
about justice and peace for the whole world.
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about justice and peace for the whole world.

La fe, el amor,
la esperanza de un mundo mejor.
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With faith and with love
and with hope we shall fight for the world.
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SONG* - Swords into Plowshares

We will turn our swords into plowshares;
we will break the chains that bind.
We will pray for peace everywhere,
a house of prayer and of love.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of hope,
you call us to imagine new ways
to live in the world,
yet we confess our imaginations
are too often shaped by scarcity.
You give dreams of all people
coming to your holy mountain,
but we fear those who are different from us.
You give dreams of swords beaten into plowshares,
but we grow accustomed to violence.
You give dreams of hope,
but we cling to our fears.
Forgive us, O God,
that we may learn your ways
and walk in your paths.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends believe the good news of the Gospel;
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

PASSING OF THE PEACE*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

SONG* - Ososo/Come, Now, O Prince of Peace

1. Come now, O Prince of Peace,
make us one body.
Come, O Lord Jesus,
reconcile all people.

3. Come now and set us free,
O God our Savior.
Come, O Lord Jesus,
reconcile all people.

2. Come now, O God, of love,
make us one body.
Come, O Lord Jesus,
reconcile all people.

4. Come, hope of unity,
make us one body.
Come, O Lord Jesus,
reconcile all people.

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 2:1-5

GOSPEL LESSON*

Matthew 24:36-44

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Pastor Aaron

RESPONSE

SONG* - The Prophets Caught a Vision (**see insert**)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER