No you see.

What I see?

ADVENT 2022

Advent 1 November 27, 2022

Worship 9:30am

Fellowship 10:30am

Faith Formation and Christmas decorating 10:50am

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE Nancy Bosché, pianist

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

Candlelighters: Ben, Grace and Simeon Parker Sutter

Leaders: We light this candle for hope; hope in our hearts,

hope in our homes, hope in our world.

Response: May the light of hope shine through our lives.

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Lonnie Buerge

*HYMN VT 238 Wisdom from on High Is Dawning

WE LISTEN AND LEARN

MOMENT OF WONDER Sallie Page-Goertz

SCRIPTURE/TEACHING Habakkuk 1:1-5; 2:1-4; 3:[3b-6], 17-19

Ruth Harder

*HYMN VT 416 Beyond a Dying Sun

WE ARE INVITED TO THE TABLE

WORDS OF BLESSING AND INVITATION

CHORAL CALL TO COMMUNION

Of the Father's Love Begotten

arr. Shackley

SHARING OF BREAD AND CUP

Singing during Communion
Passing the cup VT 218 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

WE RESPOND AND SHARE

SHARING JOY

We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time. One way we get to know one another is by signing the friendship registers. Once the register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

SHARING CONCERNS

PRAYING TOGETHER

Slips of paper are available in the pew racks for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl table at the front of the sanctuary.

OFFERING

WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE

*HYMN VT 223

Bless'd Be the God of Israel

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE

*You are invited to stand

Anthem text: Of the Father's Love Begotten arr. Larry Shackley

Of the Father's love begotten, ere the worlds began to be, He is Alpha and Omega, he the source, the ending he, Of the things that are, that have been, and that future years shall see, Evermore and evermore!

O that birth forever blessed, when the Virgin, full of grace, By the Holy Ghost conceiving, bore the Savior of our race, And the babe, the world's Redeemer, first revealed his sacred face, Evermore and evermore!

O ye heights of heav'n adore him; angel hosts his praises sing; Pow'rs, dominions, bow before him, and extol our God and King: Let no tongue on earth be silent, every voice in concert ring, Evermore and evermore!

This is he who seers and sages sang of old with one accord; Whom the writings of the prophets promised in their faithful word; Now he shines, the long expected: Let creation praise its Lord, Evermore and evermore.

The light sculpture at the front of the sanctuary was created by Arlie Regier and his son Paul. We have cherished the long tradition of featuring this gift during Advent and Christmas. **New this year:** the wooden nativity set in the Wesley Room was purchased in memory of George Houghton.

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