



Jarrettown United Methodist Church
December 7, 2025 – 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.
Second Sunday of Advent

Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer.
Romans 12:12

Gathering Music—Prelude from Cello Suite No. 3, by J. S. Bach

Welcome

†**Song**—Glory (Let There Be Peace)

Verse 1

One star
Burns in the darkness
Shines with the promise Emmanuel
One child
Born in the stillness
Living within us Emmanuel

Chorus

We're singing Glory Glory
Let there be peace let there be peace
Singing Glory Glory
Let there be peace let it start in me

Verse 2

One voice
Speaks for the voiceless
Hope for the hopeless Emmanuel
One love
Brings us together
Now and forever Emmanuel

Bridge

Do not be afraid
His love is strong enough to save us
Nothing stands in the way
His love is strong enough to lead us
(REPEAT)

Ending

Let there be peace let it start in me

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

9 am – The Crocker Family 11 am – Wendy Minakowski and Ron Smith

L: Our Advent journey continues, and this candle will help light our way.

ALL: We are on our way to more peace.

L: Life is full of expectations and waiting for the right time, the right answer, the right opportunity.

ALL: We are a people who wait for Good News.

L: It is hard to wait, but there are milestone moments when we get a glimpse of what true peace feels like.

ALL: God's light goes before us, we are not alone.

L: Today we light the candle of Peace.

Opening Prayer

Holy and Living God, as we await the arrival of Good News, we pray for patience. Call us to pause in peaceful surrender, and open our hearts to know your enduring presence. We pray this in the name of your Son, Jesus, the Christ, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

Song—O Come, O Come, Emmanuel verses 1, 2, 6 & 7 (UMH #211)

The offering plates will be passed while we sing.

Children's Message—Friends Help Us Have Peace

First Scripture Reading—Romans 12:9-18

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. ¹⁰ Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. ¹¹ Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. ¹² Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. ¹³ Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. ¹⁸ If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

Announcements

Morning Prayer

Second Scripture Lesson—Luke 1:5-17

In the time of Herod king of Judea there was a priest named Zechariah, who belonged to the priestly division of Abijah; his wife Elizabeth was also a descendant of Aaron. ⁶ Both of them were righteous in the sight of God, observing all the Lord's commands and decrees blamelessly. ⁷ But they were childless because Elizabeth was not able to conceive, and they were both very old.

⁸ Once when Zechariah's division was on duty and he was serving as priest before God, ⁹ he was chosen by lot, according to the custom of the priesthood, to go into the temple of the Lord and burn incense. ¹⁰ And when the time for the burning of incense came, all the assembled worshipers were praying outside. ¹¹ Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. ¹² When Zechariah saw him, he was startled and was gripped with fear. ¹³ But the angel said to him: "Do not be afraid, Zechariah; your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you are to call him John. ¹⁴ He will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of his birth, ¹⁵ for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He is never to take wine or other fermented drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit even before he is born. ¹⁶ He will bring back

many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God. ¹⁷ And he will go on before the Lord, in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the parents to their children and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous—to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.”

Sermon—Peace in a Jerusalem World

✠**Passing the Peace**

✠**Song**—What Feast of Love (to the tune of Greensleeves, UMH #219)

What feast of love is offered here
What banquet come from heaven?
What food of everlasting life
What gracious gift is given?
This, this is Christ the king
The bread come down from heaven
Oh, taste and see and sing!
How sweet the manna given!

What light of truth is offered here
What covenant from heaven?
What hope of everlasting life
What wondrous word is given?
This, this is Christ the king
The sun come down from heaven
Oh, see and hear and sing!
The Word of God is given!

What wine of love is offered here
What crimson drink from heaven?
What stream of everlasting life
What precious blood is given?
This, this is Christ the king
The sweetest wine of heaven
Oh, taste and see and sing!
The Son of God is given!

The Sacrament of Communion (UMH #9)

Music—Breath of Heaven

✠**Song**—Peace Has Come

Verse 1

Behold the star of Bethlehem
The Word of God has become flesh
Unto us a child is born
The Savior of this broken world

Chorus 1

Oh hear the angel voices sing
Come let us adore Him
Peace has come
For our King is with us

Verse 2

Fully God and fully man
He comes for all with open hands
He rules with love on David's throne
All praise belongs to Christ alone

Chorus 2

Holy holy holy
Jesus we adore Thee
Peace has come
For our King is with us

Bridge

O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

✠**Sending Forth**

“Gift” by Czeslaw Milosz

A day so happy.
Fog lifted early, I worked in the garden.
Hummingbirds were stopping over honeysuckle flowers.
There was no thing on earth I wanted to possess.
I knew no one worth my envying him.
Whatever evil I had suffered, I forgot.
To think that once I was the same man did not embarrass me.
In my body I felt no pain.
When straightening up, I saw the blue sea and sails.



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