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**First United Methodist Church of Gilbert**

*Serving, Giving, Welcoming, Growing in the likeness of Christ*

November 29, 2020

**FIRST WEEK IN ADVENT—HOPE**

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# Welcome!

Facebook live streaming will begin at 9:25 am • Service begins at 9:30 am

**Pre-service Music:** “Gesu Bambino” | “Come Into My Heart”

*by Pietro Yon | by Harry D. Clarke*

**Ringing of the Bell**

**Welcome and Greeting**

Pastor Diamond and the Harris Family

**Bringing in the Light of Christ**

**Prelude**

“Mary Did You Know”

Melissa Van Der Pol

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**Lighting of the Advent Candle and Spoken Response**

The Harris Family

**Call to Worship**

The Tesarek Family

Leader: We are waiting . . . in the dark of the year we are waiting.

**People: We are waiting . . . for the potter to shape our lives.**

Leader: We are waiting . . . to see clearly what lies hidden in darkness.

**People: We are waiting, awake and alert . . . ready for God to come.**

Leader: In the darkness a candle is lit. The light comforts our waiting.

**All: The light reminds us of the one who is come.**

**Opening Hymn**

“Come Thou, Long-Expected Jesus”

**#196**

*UM Hymnal #196 WORDS: Charles Wesley MUSIC: Rowland H. Prichard*

**Opening Prayer**

O God, come to us in our need. Like a shepherd, you care for us. Like a potter, you shape our lives. Faithful God, we are waiting for you. Come down to us. Come down to us as fire, and burn away the bonds that hold us back. Light our spirits with your eternal love. Shape us with your hands, that we may be vessels fit to receive your presence. We are waiting, Holy One. We place our trust in your love. Amen.

## **Anthem**

“Even So, Come”

*Chris Tomlin | Jason Ingram | Jess Cates*

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## **Scripture Reading**

Mark 13:24-37

## **Message**

Pastor Rick

## **Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer**

## **Sending Forth Sylvia Harris**

## **Song of Response**

“Jesus Lights of Lights”

*to tune of Jesu, Light of Lights by Tom Fekte | Rob Mathes | Phil Nash*

## **Offering**

### **Offertory**

“Come Thou, Long-Expected Jesus”

Mark Turner

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### **Presentation of the Offering** “Praise God, from whom all Blessings Flow” **#95**

*UMC Hymnal #95 Thomas Ken, 1674*

### **Offering Prayer**

Generous and loving God, you give us everything we need. Surrounded and supported by your love, there is nothing we lack. As we bring our offerings to you, may they support your work of peace and justice, and bring hope to the world. As we bring our very selves to you, mold and shape us as you will, then send us forth to serve. Amen.

## **Closing Hymn**

“Angels from the Realms of Glory”

**#220**

*UM Hymnal #220 WORDS: James Montgomery MUSIC: Henry T. Smart*

## **Blessing**

## **Postlude**

“Angels from the Realms of Glory” (Reprise)

*UM Hymnal #220 WORDS: James Montgomery MUSIC: Henry T. Smart*

*Thank you for viewing services today!*

If you have any questions or comments please contact us at [connection@gilbertumc.org](mailto:connection@gilbertumc.org)

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MUSIC DIRECTOR: Randy Van Der Pol ORGANIST: Jeffrey Hendrickson

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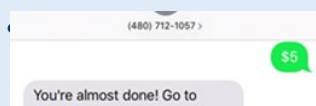
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