



**ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR 28 NOVEMBER 2010 – 8:30 AM SERVICE
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

We encourage you to join us in our worship as a people who love the Lord. Please ask an usher about the hearing devices.

† DENOTES STANDING IF YOU ARE ABLE WORSHIP IS LED BY *THE LORD'S CREW*

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS PASTOR DAVID

HANDBELL INTROIT *How Majestic Is Your Name*

† **SCRIPTURE READING** JEREMIAH 25: 5 - 6

† **OPENING PRAYER** PASTOR DAVID

HANDBELL ANTHEM *We Gather Together*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

PRAISE *O Come, O Come Emmanuel
All The Heavens
O My Redeemer*

▶ *CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED TO SUNDAY SCHOOL AT THIS TIME – ROOM 211*

WE WORSHIP IN GIVING

OFFERTORY *Winds Thru The Olive Trees*

PRAYER OF ADORATION SUSAN COHO

**SHARING GOD'S PEACE (GREETING ONE ANOTHER)
JOYS & CONCERNS - PASTORAL PRAYER** PASTOR DAVID

SCRIPTURE READING MATTHEW 24: 36 - 44 MIKE HERBER

SERMON *Surprises*
PASTOR DAVID M. BURGESSON

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE I CORINTHIANS 11: 23 - 26 IN UNISON

COMMUNION SONG *Spirit of the Living God – He Is Lord*

† **BENEDICTION SONG** *The Lord Bless Thee* PASTOR DAVID

RECESSIONAL *Keep Us Forever, Lord*

More information
on our website at
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This Week:

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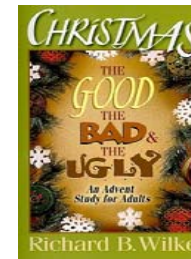
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ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR 28 NOVEMBER 2010 – 10:30 AM SERVICE

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Welcome and we encourage you to join us as a people who love the Lord. Please ask about the hearing devices or large print bulletins. Nursery care available for children under 5. We are glad that you are here!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Lo, He Comes!* R. POWELL, *COMPOSER*
HANDBELL INTROIT *How Majestic Is your Name*

† **CALL TO WORSHIP – LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH - HOPE**

ONE: Today is the first Sunday of Advent, the Sunday of Hope.
MANY: **Our hope is in God, and in his son Jesus Christ. He is the one appointed by God to be judge of all things. He is the one through whom God has promised to save and redeem his people.**

ONE: We light this candle today to remind us that he is our hope and the hope of the world. We thank God for the promises he has made to us and for the light he has brought into the world.

THE FIRST CANDLE REPRESENTING HOPE IS LIT

PASTOR: Let us pray:

ALL: **O God of Hope, Emmanuel, God with Us – we pray you to send your light into our hearts at this time. Help us to be ready for the day and the hour of Christ's final appearing. Live in us and help us to live in you. By the power of the Holy Spirit, transform us so that our worship, our celebration, our time of preparation, may be pleasing unto you - both now - and forevermore. Amen.**

† **HYMN NO. 196** *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*

HANDBELL ANTHEM *We Gather Together*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT *** CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED TO ROOM 211 ***

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

PASTOR: Let us join together in this prayer:

MANY: **Merciful God, we are a people conditioned to measure truth by proof and evidence, by the testimony of witnesses and the testing of our knowledge. In Jesus Christ, you gave us evidence of your supreme love for us, yet we still refuse to**

accept it. We ignore your still, small voice. We dismiss your action in our lives as coincidence. We take credit for our blessings rather than receiving them as being from your hand. Scripture is a faithful witness to your grace, yet we fail to avail ourselves of its wisdom. We demand signs of your presence yet are so distracted by the pace of our lives that we never notice that you have, indeed, answered our prayer. Forgive us, Lord, we pray. Forgive our short attention spans, our insatiable desire for the new and glittery and our disdain for the old and familiar. Grant us the grace to be still, to listen and to respond to the leading of your Spirit. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASTOR: This saying is true and worthy of full acceptance: Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. Friends, hear the good news and believe: In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Hallelujah! Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM *The Promised Messiah*

JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY *O Gentle Jesus, Be Our Light* M. SHEA, *COMPOSER*

† **DOXOLOGY**

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

SCRIPTURE READING MATTHEW 24: 36 - 44 AMANDA TRECARTIN

LITURGIST: This is the word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

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† **HYMN NO. 733** *We're Marching To Zion*

† **BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE *Variations on "Come, Thou Long Expected Savior"*
L. SMITH, *COMPOSER*

Church Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9 AM to 1 PM (subject to change)
Pastor is out of the office on Mondays.

What's Happening at UMC of AG

Children's Sunday School

During the **8:30 AM** and **10:30 AM** services upstairs in **room 211**

Sunday meeting for the Junior High & High School

During the **10:30 AM** services upstairs in **room 215 – The Youth Lounge**

Sunday School/Bible Study

Immediately following the **8:30 AM** worship service (MMR)

Women of Prayer

Mondays at 7 PM (S) – open to all denominations of women for prayer.

Men's Bible Study

Mondays at 7 PM (room 215)

Christian Counseling

Tuesday & Wednesday from **1 - 7 PM (L)** - contact Carol Gandy at 234-4715

The Sew 'n' Sews—Quilting Group

Tuesdays at 9 AM (MMR) – open to all! We will teach you!

Senior Exercise Group

Tuesday-Thursday at 8:30 AM (CH)

Grande Ringers – Handbell Choir

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 5 PM (room 115) - directed by Leonard Lutz.

Chancel Choir

Wednesdays at 7 PM (S) - directed by Julie Walters.

UM Youth Group—Jr. & Sr. High

Wednesday evenings, at 7 PM (room 215) – led by Mike & Linda Herber

Intercessory Prayer Group

Thursdays at 10 (L) - Join us!

Morning Bible Study

Fridays at 8:30 AM (L) – all are welcome!

The Lord's Crew – Praise Team

Every other Saturday at 6:30 PM (S) - directed by Susan Coho.

A Touch of Beauty – Time for Women

Join us the **third Friday at 7 PM (MMR)** – bring a friend!

United Methodist Women & United Methodist Men

Various groups meet **monthly** – just ask us!

...call about the other support & anonymous groups!

Abbreviation Legend

MMR	McMillen Room
CH	Criswell Hall
K	Kitchen
S	Sanctuary
N	Narthex
P/S	Pastor's Study
L	Library

Notes



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SENIOR PASTOR:

Reverend David M. Burgeson

MINISTER OF VISITATION:

Reverend J. Harold Headrick

CHURCH OFFICE STAFF:

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR: Sarah Gandy-Barber

BOOKKEEPER: Victoria Gandy

CHANCEL CHOIR DIRECTOR: Julie Walters

***THE LORD'S CREW* - PRAISE TEAM DIRECTOR:** Susan Coho

***'GRANDE RINGERS'* - BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR:** Leonard Lutz

YOUTH MINISTRY DIRECTOR: Mike & Linda Herber

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTOR: Sandra Sawyer

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DIRECTOR: Carolyn Russell-Williams

MULTI-MEDIA DIRECTOR: Mike Coho

NURSERY CARE PROVIDER: Kassondra Quaglino

AG UM CHILDREN'S CENTER DIRECTOR: Maddy Quaglino

LAY LEADER: Bud Johnson

ORGANIST: Don McGuire

CHORAL PIANIST: Dennis Eiler

***PUPPET PEOPLE* DIRECTOR:** Mike Herber

LECTOR CHAIRS: Rebeca Avila & Toni Harvey

LITURGIST (S): Anna Trecartin

ACOLYTE MOMS: Niki Raetz & Lorie Ford

BIBLE BEARER/ACOLYTE(S): : Our Church Youth

HOSTS /GREETER CHAIR: Del Hollinger

GREETERS & USHERS: Church family

IN SERVICE: Our Church Family

RETIRED COVENANT MISSIONARY:: Judy Atwood

The Bulletin Board

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Please be Praying for...

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"And whatever you ask for in prayer, believing, you will receive." **Matthew 21:22**



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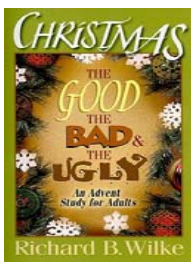
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- Those suffering after natural disasters.
- Members & friends of our congregation who are dealing with spiritual, emotional, physical, and financial problems—lift up their burdens.
- Our nation's leaders & its people. May God grant wisdom & discernment.
- Our Pastors and their families in prayer.
- The homeless and hungry in our community and the world.
- Prayers for Comfort and Healing for:
 - ~ Nancy Baughman requests prayer for Abigail Cole (6 years old) had surgery to remove a growth in her mouth.
 - ~ The McClure's friend: Pete Dougall will have heart surgery Nov. 19.
 - ~ Alice Addison's sister, Abby, for healing after coronary surgery; also comfort with the passing of family members.
 - ~ Priscilla Alquist is recovering from a torn retina.
 - ~ Bill Taylor fell and broke two ribs; He also has bronchitis.
 - ~ Mary Lou Fink is now under hospice.
 - ~ Heidi Carpentier's friend Teresa has breast cancer and will have treatment.
 - ~ Sarah Barber was diagnosed with uterine fibroid , will need surgery.
- Praise God for He is good! We thank Him for hearing our prayers.
 - ~ Dick DeBruyn is now home.
 - ~ Vikki—The Gainer's daughter has found employment.

Our Retired Covenant Missionary: Judy Atwood

Remember in prayer: Our missionaries serving God around the world; the leaders of our country; leaders and the people of other nations. Continue to lift up those in the military and their families.

Continue to pray for: Our church family & friends, the UM youth, Wil Ogden, Jennifer Gandy and family, the Caweltis, the Cochrans, LeAnna Gainer, Linda Archibald, the Hammonds, Jerry Smith, Esther Miller, Pastor Ron Salsbury, Yvonne Holt, Sean Lehman, Ruby Weddell, Susan Trivitt, Fenton McClure, Kent Brown, Roy Lewis, the Bucktons, Paul DeMello, Steve Ross, Bob & Marjorie Walrath, Mary Lou Fink, Bodie Bennett & family, Eleanor Hughes, Brooke Tosti, Hilde Hollinger, Barbara Reineke, Jo Underwood, Russell Johnson, & Norma Sandager.

Family in Care Facilities: Bob Atwood, Bob Woods, Mary Patterson, Inez Kenneaster, Wayne Frisby and Mary Johnson.

Shut-In members: Doris Rice, the Houldings, Ann DeVos, Dell McCracken, Jeanne Jenkins, Madge Young, Hershel Whitefield, Stan Lundahl and Carmonde Cochran.