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Steady Hope

Sunday, November 28, 2021

Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Special guest Reverend Doctor David Young

Luke 21:25-36

Peterborough United Methodist Church

Welcome! If you are a first-time guest please fill out our digital welcome card [bit.ly/pumcwelcomecard](https://www.peterboroughumc.org/).

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~Wiggling is appropriate & welcome.

Responsive parts in bold.

*Those able are invited to stand in praise.

PRELUDE

Organist

WELCOME

Liturgist

This is the day the lord has made. **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

Dr Derek C Weber, Discipleship Ministries of the UMC

L: Something stirs deep within us – a longing, a hope,

P: A thirst for joy, a hunger for peace, a yearning for blessing.

L: We know deep within that our hopes and fears

P: Will be met by angel songs and baby sighs.

L: It is Advent -

P: Season of waiting, hoping, yearning.

L: Advent -

A: Time to go home.

~OPENING PRAYER

Rev Jerry Chism

Liturgist

Oh Immanuel, God with us, truly in this Advent season we celebrate that you are not hidden in some faraway cloud, but you chose to be with us in the blur and mystery of our lives.

In the midst of lists and rush, you are with us as a song that echoes in our minds, as the light of a candle, as a card from a friend. They are signs of your presence. We turn to you this season and pray that you would birth joy and healing, blessing and hope in us. Let something wonderful begin in us — something surprising and holy. May your hand be upon us. Let your love fill us. Let your joy overwhelm us. Let our longing for you be met on a coming holy night. Immanuel with us once again. Amen

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH UM Book of Worship Leader
Christ came to bring us salvation and has promised to come again.

Let us pray that we may always be ready to welcome him.

Come, Lord Jesus.

That the keeping of Advent may open our hearts to God's love,

Come Lord Jesus

That the light of Christ may penetrate the darkness of sin,

Come Lord Jesus

That this wreath may constantly remind us
to prepare for the coming of Christ,

Come Lord Jesus

That the Christmas season may fill us with peace and joy as we strive to
follow the example of Jesus,

Come Lord Jesus

Loving God, your Church joyfully awaits the coming of its Savior, who
enlightens our hearts and dispels the darkness of ignorance and sin.
Pour forth your blessings upon us as we light the candles of this
wreath. May their light reflect the splendor of Christ, who is Lord, for
ever and ever. Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES UM Book of Worship Liturgist

FIRST SUNDAY *Isaiah 60:2-3*

Liturgist

For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;
but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.
Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your
dawn

We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Hope.

Lighters

May the light sent from God shine in the darkness
to show us the way of salvation.

O come, O come, Emmanuel.

REFLECTION This Little Light of Mine

Angelina Wallenstein

~*APOSTLES CREED

UMH 882

Liturgist

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**universal

~HYMN Take My Life and Make it Be

UMH 399

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Justine Gaskamp

JOYS & CONCERNS

Liturgist

Joys: Gracious Lord, **bless this joy.**
Concerns: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

Leader

~THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

Liturgist

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy
kingdom come,**

Thy will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who
trespass against us.**

Lead us not in to temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory
forever. Amen.**

OFFERING *Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, and Witness* Liturgist

DOXOLOGY UMH 95

Liturgist

**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.**

~*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Luke 21:25-36

Liturgist

Holy God of new beginnings, as we share our tithes and offerings with you, we are filled with hope. We enter the season of Advent with expectation; we have left behind us a time of fear, isolation, and uncertainty; and we raise our heads because we know our redemption is coming near. May our gifts be dedicated to help heal the brokenness of our world and to welcome our Messiah into the world once again. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE *Luke 21:25-36 Pew Bible NT p 80*

Leader

“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE *Steady Hope*

Leader

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Leader

POSTLUDE


Organist



“The main hope of a nation lies in the proper education of its youth.”

DESIDERIUS ERASMUS ROTERODAMUS,
DUTCH PHILOSOPHER

UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY

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ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Leader: Reverend Doctor David Young
Liturgist: Jeff Hipp
Children's Moment: Justine Gaskamp
Organist: Gene Brochu
Production: Hiel Lindquist



ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING:

**all times in Eastern Time*

Sun 10a **Worship service** online via YouTube or in-person
**Note worship service will be at 11am 12/5/21-6/26/22.*

Tue-Thu 9-12 **Office Hours**

Nov 28 **UM Student Day** collection

Nov 29 5p **Charge Conference** via Zoom

Nov 29 7p **Missions meeting** via Zoom

Nov 30 **Newsletter submissions** due

Dec 1 **Pledge Cards** due

Dec 1 10a **Heart Grew Three Sizes** bible study via Zoom or in-person

Dec 5 11a **Pastor Todd Layton's** first service

EVENTS:

**all times in Eastern Time*

Sunday Worship 10a **11 am starting next week**

in-person, 43 Concord St, Peterborough

streaming on YouTube <http://bit.ly/joinpumcyoutube>

posted online bit.ly/pumcworshipvideo

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SEND US YOUR JOYS:

We are looking for photos or videos of your joys. Joy files should be either .jpg images or .mp4 video. Send joys to pumclivestream@gmail.com.

Welcome!

Join us online or in-person at 10 am ET on Sunday

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We are delighted to welcome you to our service.

Please be aware the ambient mic will pick up on conversations in the sanctuary.


If you use a hearing aid with bluetooth (or headphones) you can connect directly to our audio with the Listen Everywhere app on your smartphone. If you would like a headset please see an usher.

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FOOD OFFERING:

For the foreseeable future, drop off food offerings at the church. There is a large deck bin at the side entrance of the church (bottom of the ramp) with a sign. Just drop your bag of pantry goods in the bin and make sure the lid is closed tightly. Our next congregational offering will be delivered to **Antrim/Bennington Food Pantry**.