



Image Source: Fire, Stained glass, Washington National Cathedral, Washington, DC

Stand as a Signal ***Pastor Thom Demers***

Sunday, December 4, 2022
Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11:1-10

Matthew 3:1-12

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Leader: Pastor Thom Demers
Liturgist: Christine Robidoux
Choir: Wendy Dunning
Organist: Gene Brochu

Children's Moment: Hiel Lindquist
Production: Hiel Lindquist
Advent Candle Lighting:
Leslie Crossmon & Lillian Ferreira

Peterborough United Methodist Church

Welcome! **If you are a first-time guest** please fill out our digital welcome card bit.ly/pumcwelcomecard.

~Wiggling is appropriate & welcome. **Responsive parts in bold.** *Those able are invited to stand in praise.

PRELUDE Organist

INTROIT Choir

WELCOME Pastor

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

~*CALL TO WORSHIP Nancy C. Townley Pastor

L: Get ready, people of God! The time of hope and peace is at hand.

A: We are called to action rather than reaction.

L: Open your hearts to God's word and God's will.

A: Help us to be workers for God rather than observers.

L: Come, draw near to God in faith.

A: Let us prepare our hearts to receive the wondrous gifts of God. Amen.

~*HYMN Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus UMH 196

~*ADVENT HYMN Light the Advent Candle verse 1&2 FWS 2090

~ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING Lillian Ferreira

~ADVENT PRAYER Leslie Crossmon

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is sadness, joy; And where there is darkness, light. Grant that we may seek not so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, in pardoning that we are pardoned, and in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

~*ADVENT HYMN O Come, O Come, Emmanuel verse 1&2 UMH 211

~*OPENING PRAYER

Natalie Regoli

Liturgist

Mighty God, everything you do reveals your glory and majesty. Open our eyes to see what you are doing in our lives. Let us marvel at your good gifts and your wise provision. Your acts are amazing Lord. We can not comprehend the number of blessings you pour out on us from day to day. As we gather today around your name, we pray that you would fill our hearts, our minds and our souls. Transform us Lord, and make us more like you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

~APOSTLES CREED UMH 882

*universal

Liturgist

ANTHEM

Choir

~CHILDREN'S MOMENT

JOYS & CONCERNS

Pastor

Gracious Lord, **bless this joy.**

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 11:1-10 Bible OT p 602

Liturgist

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

~*HYMN

Hail the Lord's Anointed UMH 203

OFFERING

Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, and Witness

Liturgist

*DOXOLOGY UMH 95

Liturgist

~*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

UMCDiscipleship.org Isaiah 11:1-10

Liturgist

Our God, architect of this world and all others: we know you had a vision for all your creation to dwell together. With the creatures of the air, earth, and sea, you long for us to live in respect and with one another. We give this morning, understanding that we have denied you that desire. We ask you to help us use who we are and what we have to heal this abused and broken world. In Christ, our Savior. Amen.

SCRIPTURE *Matthew 3:1-12 Pew Bible NT p 2*

Liturgist

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE *Stand as a Signal*

Pastor Thom Demers

INVITATION TO CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION UMH 7

Liturgist

**also see the communion laminates in the pews*

CONFESSION AND THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Congregation

~THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 270

Pastor

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING COMMUNION

Pastor

~*HYMN God Be with You till We Meet Again

UMH 672

BLESSING

Pastor

POSTLUDE

Organist

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING:

**all times in Eastern Time*

Sun	10a	Worship service online or in-person
Tue-Wed	9a-12	Admin Virtual Office Hours
Thu	9a-12	Admin In-Office Office Hours
Wed	5p-8:30	Pastor Thom's Office Hours
Dec 5	7p	Because of Bethlehem Advent Study (Dec 5, 7, 14, 21)
Dec 7	7p	Because of Bethlehem Advent Study
Dec 8	7p	Missions meeting for housing emergency, hybrid
Dec 9	7p	Open Mic Night doors open 6:30
Dec 11		Staff Christmas Gift contributions due
Dec 11	8a	Free Community Breakfast
Dec 17	10a-12	Cookie Swap



Flowers on the altar from Ron and Priscilla Crowe in memory of their son Steven Crowe.

Welcome to Peterborough United Methodist Church!

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



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 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.

If you are new to PUMC and want us to be contacted, go to bit.ly/pumcwelcomecard. We have a weekly email and a monthly newsletter.

You can sign up on our web site. bit.ly/subscribepumc.

Pastor Thom can be contacted at pastorthom@peterboroughumc.org.

COVID Procedures at PUMC: <https://bit.ly/pumccovid>



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FOOD OFFERING: Our next congregational offering will be delivered to Antrim/Bennington Food Pantry.