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OXNAM CHAPEL
SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE
Tuesday, December 7, 2021

PRELUDE

DR. THOMAS TYLER
CHOIR DIRECTOR

GATHERING & WELCOME

JULIE HAGEN

INVOCATION

RUTH JACKSON

God of timeless grace, you fill us with joyful expectation. Make us ready for the message that prepares the way that with uprightness of heart and holy joy we may eagerly await the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. God of hope, you raised up John the baptizer as a herald who calls us to conversion. We joyfully await the glorious coming of Christ. We pray to you for the needs of the church and the world. Hear our humble prayer. Give voice to your presence among us until the day of the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Out of the embrace of mercy and righteousness, you have brought forth joy and dignity for your people. Remember now your ancient promise: make straight the paths that lead to you and smooth the rough ways, that in our day we might bring forth your compassion for all humanity. Amen.

*adapted from Revised Common Lectionary Daily Prayer for Advent

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING – WEEK 2 – CANDLE OF PEACE

ANGELA NORRIS

***RESPONSIVE READING**

Leader: We wake up every day in unpeace, broken situations, and social media confusion.

Congregation: We are facing violence in our communities perpetuated by evil in high places, living between the evil of white supremacy and urban destruction.

Leader: Hatred undergirds our thoughts, guns are the defense mechanisms, and daily our families face threats of death.

All: In the midst of unpeace, we light the candle of Shalom, for Jesus is the prince of peace. Be not afraid, peace is ever nigh.

*adapted from AME Bishop E. Anne Henning Byfield, President of the Council of Bishops and Presiding Prelate of the 16th Episcopal District.

***OPENING HYMN UMH #234 v. 1-3**

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

CHOIR & CONGREGATION

SCRIPTURE READING

2 PETER 1:2-15

JULIE HAGEN

MUSICAL SELECTION

NOW, BEHOLD THE LAMB

CHOIR

SCRIPTURE READING

ISAIAH 66:18-23

PRAYER STATIONS

SERMON

THE GREAT ESCAPE?

**REV. DR. CRAIG HILL
DEAN, PERKINS THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**

SERMON RESPONSE

GOD IS

CHOIR

COMMUNION

REV. LEE BROWN

The Solicitation

The General Confession

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all people, we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness which we from time to time most grievously have committed by thought, word and deed against Your divine Majesty, provoking most justly Your wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father for Your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake; forgive us all that is past and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

The Prayer of Consecration

Sharing of the Bread & Cup

***BENEDICTION**

***BLESSING**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE & REFRESHMENTS**

JAN PHILLIPS

**All who are able, please stand.*

"UMH" indicates that the hymn can be found in the *United Methodist Hymnal*.

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Worship Leaders

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Craig Hill, Perkins Theological Seminary

Chapel Elder: Rev. Cathy Abbott

Liturgist: Evan Taylor

Scripture Readers: Julie Hagen

Prayers:

Musical Leader: Dr. Thomas Tyler, Chapel Choir

Come Warm Your Hearts with Community Life!

Let's fellowship around Christmas Cookies, Brownies, Cider and Punch
immediately following Chapel,
Tuesday, Dec. 7 @ 1pm in the Chapel Narthex

Coming Up in Oxnam Chapel

We will return for our first service in 2022 on January 25, 2022 at noon.
