Welcome new friend! Thank you for sharing in this time of worship with us! We invite you to consider making this your church home. Please, stay after worship for coffee in the Fellowship Hall and let us meet you! If you would like a friendly visit, prayer, or just information, please let us know, and we will make sure to let the pastor know. If you prefer, you may call Pastor Amanda at (928) 772-6366.

Prelude & Procession of Light

Welcome & Announcements

*Opening Hymn Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (all vs.) #240 UMH CCLI Song #6152875

Lighting of the Advent Candles

Written by Lisa Hancock

One: To a people longing for hope and yearning for deliverance, the prophet Isaiah declared, "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined...For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." (Isaiah 9:2, 6) Tonight, we come seeking hope, peace, joy, and love, and we find these things in a child. God made flesh as a baby in a manger. A baby who is both the beginning and the end of our salvation, who dwells with us even now, our Emmanuel, God with us.

All: We live as people in the in-between who celebrate the arrival of the Light that shines in lost and broken places as we wait for the day when we will live in the fullness of God's kin-dom.

One: We light these candles as signs of our shocking hope, our just peace, our fierce joy, and the love that transforms us. May the Light burning in our hearts guide us, comfort us, protect us, and tend us in all seasons and circumstances, reminding us that day and night, in the light and in the darkness, God is with us. Our salvation has come! Amen.

Stewardship Moment/Giving of Our Gifts to God *Doxology – Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

#95 UMH CCLI Song #56204

*Offertory Prayer

Chertory i layer

Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer

The Journey To Believe: Entering the Story

The First Gift of Christmas The Polar Express

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Special Reading and Reflection: "BELIEVE"

Lyrics by Alan Silverstri & Glen Ballard

Hymn First Noel (vs. 1) #245 UMC

CCLI #31047

Perplexed & Afraid

Hymn It Came Upon A Midnight Clear (vs.1 &4) # 218 UMH

CCLI#31078

Relationship Built

Hymn Good Christian Friends, Rejoice (vs. 1-2) #224 UMH

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Traveling & Settling

Special Music Gently Mary Performed by the PV UMC Choir

The Angels, the Shepherds, and the Wise Men Come

Hymn Angels We Have Heard on High (vs. 1 & 2) #238 UMH CCLI #6368346

Believe: God IS with us

Lighting of the Christ Candle & Sharing in the Light of the World

Closing Hymn Silent Night (vs. 1-4) #239 UMH

CCLI #27862

*Stand as you are able at these places in the service.

Joys & Concerns Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers





Prescott Valley United Methodist Church

Our mission: Reaching up in prayer, reaching out in love, and reaching in for guidance by the Holy Spirit.

December 24th, 2023 Christmas Eve Sunday

PRAYERS: Family and friends of Mel M.; Chris, Jeff & Jayden; Carolyn E.; Karna W.; Dorothy C.; Kat & Robert; Marsha C.; Mary B.; Jeannie W; Jan Z.; Continued prayers for Linda M.; Family of Jim H; Linda C.; Sharon P.; Allison W; Peace in Israel & Gaza.

JOYS: Prayer support! New job success! Successful surgery!

PRAY FOR OUR CHURCHES: Mingus Mountain Camp, Justa Center, Phoenix, Wesley Community & Health Centers

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Member's Choice-UMCOR/Ukraine

NEW YEAR'S EVE

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

12/31

Sunday

Tuesday	12/26	Leadership Board meeting on hiatus
Thursday	12/28	Cleaning Crew 8:00 am
Friday	12/29	Celebration of Life service - Mel Munchinsky 10:00 am
Sunday	12/31	Choir Practice 9:00 am

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