

**NEW HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**First Sunday of Advent – November 27, 2022**

**Chiming of the Trinity**

**Prelude**                    *“The Holly & The Ivy”*                    arr. by Joseph M. Martin

**Hanging of the Greens**

**\*Hymn 202** (vs. 1 & 4)                    *“People Look East”*                    Farjeon

**Welcome and Announcements**                    Steve Lawson

**First Sunday of Advent – Hope for God’s Presence**                    Chancel Choir

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath**                    Kandis Fox & Gene Crews

**READER:** In this season of Advent, we long for God’s presence.

**PEOPLE:** **Christ is our light and the source of our hope.**

**READER:** In this season of Advent, we search God’s truth.

**PEOPLE:** **Christ is our light and the source of our hope.**

**READER:** In this season of Advent, we seek God’s guidance.

**PEOPLE:** **Christ is our light and the source of our hope.**

**READER:** In this season of Advent, we remember God’s promise.

**PEOPLE:** **Christ is our light and the source of our hope.**

**Love’s Pure Light Congregational Part** (Sung to the tune of “Gesu Bambino”)

*“Gesù Bambino”*  
Music: Pietro Yon

Words and Arranged by  
JOEL RANEY

O come, O come, Em - man - u -  
el, and end this gloom of night. Bring  
hope to the world, bring peace to the  
earth, and fill us with love’s pure light.

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**Opening Prayer**                    Steve Lawson

**Psalm 130: 1-5**                    Rev. Bob Kerr

**\*Hymn 196**                    *“Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”*                    Wesley

**Offering**                    Steve Lawson

**Offertory**                    *“Lo, How a Rose E’re Blooming”*                    15<sup>th</sup> cent. German  
Ann Haynes, Lou Ann Dennison, Beth Maisonpierre

**\*Doxology**                    Hymnal #94

**\*Offertory Prayer**                    Steve Lawson

**Prayer Concerns**                    Steve Lawson

**Prayer Song**

**Congregational Prayer**

Steve Lawson

**Lord's Prayer**

Hymnal #895

**Special Music** *"An Advent Acclamation"* Chancel Choir & Bells of Hope

**Scripture**

Colossians 3:12-17

Steve Lawson

**Sermon** "Staying Centered in Christ while Awaiting His Coming" Dr. Bob Kerr

**\*Hymn**

*"Come, Emmanuel"*

Twila Paris

Come and speak to us, come and renew us, come and live through us, Emmanuel

Grace to implore us, ever before us, come and restore us, Emmanuel

Come Emmanuel, Come Emmanuel, Come Emmanuel, Come Emmanuel

Once mercy found us, still You astound us, hold and surround us, Emmanuel

Living inside us, faithful to guide us, cover and hide us, Emmanuel

Come Emmanuel, Come Emmanuel, Come Emmanuel, Come Emmanuel

Love that begins us, pardons and wins us, come and reign in us, Emmanuel

Come and speak to us, fill and renew us, come and live through us,

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, Emmanuel

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**\*Benediction/Sending Forth**

Dr. Bob Kerr

**Postlude**

*\*Stand as you are able*