



North Liberty First

A United Methodist Community of Faith

November 30, 2025

Prelude

Whether you are joining us in person or on-line, know that we are here to journey along with you as we live into our mission: to follow and invite others to follow Jesus Christ.

Remembering our Baptism

*Advent Call to Worship

Sing: **O come, thou Root of Jesse's tree,
an ensign of thy people be;
before thee rulers silent fall;
all peoples on thy mercy call.**

O Root of Jesse, who stands for an ensign of the people, before whom kings should keep silence and to whom the Gentiles shall make their supplication:

Come, and deliver us and tarry not.

Sing Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

***Song** **Emmanuel Emmanuel**

***Song** **Make Me A Servant**

First Lesson **Isaiah 2:1-5** **CEB**

Word for Children

Second Lesson **Luke 1:26-38** **CEB**

When Elizabeth was six months pregnant, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a city in Galilee, to a virgin who was engaged to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David's house. The virgin's name was Mary. When the angel came to her, he said, "Rejoice, favored one! The Lord is with you!" She was confused by these words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. The angel said, "Don't be afraid, Mary. God is honoring you. Look! You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and he will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of David his father. He will rule over Jacob's house forever, and there will be no end to his kingdom."

Then Mary said to the angel, "How will this happen since I haven't had sexual relations with a man?" The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come over you and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the one who is to be born will be holy. He will be called God's Son. Look, even in her old age, your relative Elizabeth has conceived a son. This woman who was labeled 'unable to conceive' is now six months pregnant. Nothing is impossible for God." Then Mary said, "I am the Lord's servant. Let it be with me just as you have said." Then the angel left her.

Message for the Lord's Day **Rev. Deborah Coble**

Song **I've Heard About You**

Prayers of the People

After each petition, there will be a pause for silent prayer. After Pastor says “Lord in your mercy” ALL reply “hear our prayers.”

Together, let us pray for
the people of this congregation...
for those who suffer and those in trouble...
for the concerns of this local community...
for the world, its peoples, and its leaders...
for the earth you have given to our care...
for the Church universal; its leaders, its members, and its mission, in communion with the saints...

The Lord’s Prayer:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Mission And Ministry Moment

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Song Be Born In Me (Mary)

***Doxology**

Blessed be God. Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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Blessed be His kingdom now and forever.

Amen, Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God of deep joy, even when storms rage and doubts rise, you call us to see with kingdom eyes—to look for healing, hope, and signs of your grace breaking in. In this Advent season of expectation and weariness, we bring these gifts as expressions of joy, rooted not in ease but in trust.

May our giving bear witness to your good news: that the blind still see, the lame still walk, and the poor still receive care. Use these offerings and us as signs of your coming reign, lights in the storm, and carriers of joy. In the name of Jesus, our hope and our Redeemer. Amen.

***Song Go Tell It On The Mountain**

***Benediction**

Life is short and we have too little time

to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us.

So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind,

**and may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and always.
Amen.**