

Hope United Methodist Church

Four Stories for Christmas

Reverend Jeff Rainwater



December 28, 2025



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2025
10:00 A.M. WORSHIP

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
FOUR STORIES FOR CHRISTMAS



PRELUDE

Carol Medley

Paul Manz

Denise Lanning, guest organist

WELCOME & INVITATION TO GOD'S PRESENCE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Caitlyn O'Neil

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

***CAROL SING**

THE MOST FLAMBOYANT SWEATER

THE FIRST STORY

Scholars Visit Bethlehem

Matthew 2:1-20

THE SECOND STORY

Gift of the Magi

by O. Henry
adapted for our children

OFFERTORY

Calypso Christmas

Hairston/Feliciano
arr. by Bob Oursler
Clyde Oakley and Bob Oursler

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

THE THIRD STORY

Barrington Bunny

by Martin Bell

PRAYER CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE FOURTH STORY

The Christmas Bells

by H.W. Longfellow

***CLOSING HYMN**

Love Came Down at Christmas

UMH 242

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***BENEDICTION**

***MUSICAL BENEDICTION**

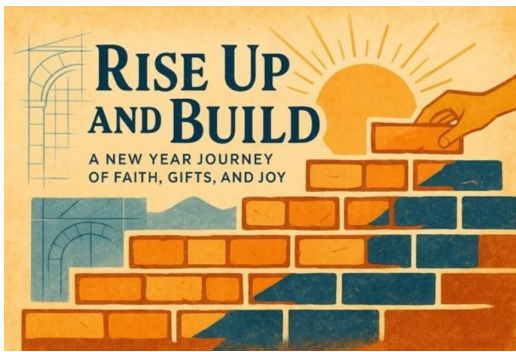
Emmanuel, Emmanuel

UMH 204

POSTLUDE

O Lord, How Shall I Meet Thee

Paul Manz
Denise Lanning, guest organist

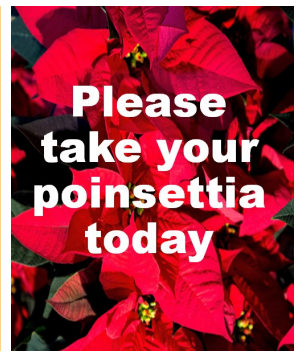


**Sermon Series
for January 2026**

4th - A Prayer for Renewal

**11th - Come, Let Us
Build Together**

**18th - The Joy of the Lord
is Our Strength**




**January Youth Family Meal
Nuggets Game Night**
January 18, 2026

Contact
Pastor Haeil
by tomorrow
December 29
to reserve
your
\$49 tickets



Undecking of Hope
Saturday, January 10 | 9:00 am until done



Help is needed to pack away decorations.
Jobs for all abilities and ages.
Please wear a coat and bring work gloves
if you can help outside.

Free Donuts!

Questions, reach out to
Stacey Hilzer
303.906.1963 or theschool@comcast.net

Kenya Mission Team • Winter Evening of Fun




scan for tickets



Chili Cook-Off
Got a great chili recipe?
Sign up to enter your best
batch in the Chili Cook-Off!

Family Feud
Think you've got all the answers?
Gather your team
and play Family Feud!

Silent Auction
Donations are welcome
and appreciated.
All proceeds will support the
Kenya Mission Team.

Suggested Donation for Event and Souvenir Spoon

Adult \$25 • Child (age 3-12) \$10 • Family of 5+ \$70



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Wi-Fi: Hope Guest
Password: Genesis01:03!

Linda & Norm Bledsoe | Coffee
Dan & Sally Graham | Greeters
Chris Wiant | Sound
Liz Martin | Slides
John Frank | Livestream

We would like to express our extreme gratitude to those who help before, during, and after worship. We could not do this without you!

Rev. Jeff Rainwater, Lead Pastor
Pastor.Jeff@hope-umc.org

Rev. Haeil Park, Associate Pastor
Pastor.Haeil@hope-umc.org

Caitlyn O'Neil | Liturgist
Joe Martin | Lead Usher
Herb Casner Dave Barber
Roger Dowell
Chris Morton | Ushers

Larry Meerdink | Music Director
Cheryl Saborsky CAGO | Organist
Anne Rowland | Red Sea Youth Band
Craig Laumann | Chancel Bells
Auriel Ramsey | Treasurer
Julie Holt | Assistant to the Treasurer
Scott Senter | Director of Technology
Jane Uylaki | Membership Secretary
Kate Stapleton | Dir. of Children's Ministries
Brittany Buse | Childcare Coordinator
Wendy Wall | Director of Communications
Allison Eckert | Director of Operations
Ashley Hastedt | PDO & Preschool Director
Sara Lowe | PDO & Preschool Assistant Dir.
Melissa Trujillo | PDO Assistant to the Dir.
Charlie Neuscheler | Maintenance & Custodial
Guest Organist | Denise Lanning

