10 a.m	۱.		December 3, 2023
PRELUDE		"Advent Star" by Edward Broughton	CUMC Adult Choir
INTROIT		"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" by Thomas Helmore	
WELCO	OME ALL CHIL	DREN OF GOD	
GREET One: <b>All:</b> One: <b>All:</b>	The Grace of And also wit	rist is with us.	
PASSIN One: <b>All:</b> One:	And also wit	f the Lord be with you	
*HYMI	N	"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"	UMH #196
-	With a migh	hosts redeems us when we stray. <b>ty arm, God comes to save us.</b> id his face, we strayed. When God withdre	w her presence, we
All:	God has fed measure.	us with the bread of tears and given us te	ears to drink in full
One: <b>All:</b> One:		his Son, God call us back from the pit and <b>upon us with love, that we might be saved</b> s worship.	
Readei you wo	r 1: In the day ould tear ope	GHTING & MEDITATION rs of exile and uncertainty, the prophet Isa n the heavens and come down, so that the nce. As when fire sets twigs ablaze and car	e mountains would

come down to make your name known to your enemies and cause the nations to quake before you! For when you did awesome things that we did not expect, you

came down, and the mountains trembled before you.

Reader 2: In the midst of our own encounters with uncertainty and upheaval and our longing for deliverance, Jesus calls to us, "Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come".

## All: We wait as people surprised again and again by God who shakes us out of our complacency and wakes us up to the work of the kin-dom all around us.

Reader 1: We light this candle as a sign of our shocking hope. May we stay awake to God's activity in the world as we wait in expectation that even now God is with us, working to restore us to the fullness of life with God and one another. Amen.

The first candle of the Advent wreath is lit.

A TIME WITH YOUNG	DISCIPLES	"Children's Message"	Virginia Lorenzi				
DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES							
CHURCH ANNOUNCE	MENTS						
THE SCRIPTURES							
THE OLD TESTAMENT	READING	Isaiah 64:1-9	Isaiah 64:1-9				
THE NEW TESTATMEN	IT READING	1 Corinthians 1:3-9	1 Corinthians 1:3-9				
THE GOSPEL READING	3	Mark 13:24-37	Mark 13:24-37				
	The Word of God for the people of God <b>Thanks be to God.</b>						
SERMON	"How Lon	g, O' Lord?"	Rev. Sue H. Yun				
NVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS n Christ, all gifts are welcome, both great and small. Bathed in love, led by compassion, let us share our gifts and offerings with God.							
WEEKLY OFFERING & NOISY OFFERING							
DFFERTORY ANTHEM		as Communion Song" an Naylor Callaway	CUMC Adult Choir				
DOXOLOGY	"Praise God, fr	om Whom All Blessings Flow"	UMH #95				
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING fou have enriched us in every way, O God, through our faith in Christ Jesus. You have granted us grace and blessed us with every spiritual gift. In gratitude for your many blessings, we offer our tithes and offerings this day. Enrich and bless these							

gifts, that they may go into the world and help build your kingdom. Amen.

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

## PRAYER FOR PEACE

God of peace and justice, you have taught us to love our neighbors as ourselves, to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us. Today we raise Israel and Gaza, Ukraine and Russia, and all parts of the world where people are suffering from war. Provide protection and comfort to the innocent who have been impacted. Transform the hearts and minds of all those who perpetuate violence and oppression. Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward world peace; may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference. Stop the wars o, God. Amen.

THE GREAT THAI	NKSGIVING AND COMMUNION	Insert					
*HYMN	"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"	UMH #382					
	(Verses 1,2, and 4)						
*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH							
One: Keep awake; hope is coming to us.							
All: We await God's salvation.							
One: Keep alert, Christ is coming soon.							
All: We await God's blessings.							
One: Be ready; Christ is among us now.							
All: We go with God's blessing.							
POSTLUDE	"A Joyous Noel"						
	by David Paxton						
OUR WORSHIP I	HAS ENDED	NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS					

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