



**December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**9:00am**

**Tune In: FM 89.7**

**Welcome and Greeting**

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**Prayer for 2020**

*Eternal God, pour your Holy Spirit upon Marion United Methodist Church, the Marion community, and its people. Help us to see where you are leading. Help us to share in your vision for our congregation and community. Help us to be part of the making of disciples. Lead us in being your hands and feet in our community. In the name of Jesus, the holy one of God, we pray. Amen.*

**Hymn**

***O Come, O Come, Emmanuel***

**UMH 211**

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
and ransom captive Israel,  
that mourns in lonely exile here  
until the Son of God appear. *Refrain*

2. O come, thou Wisdom from on high  
and order all things far and nigh;  
to us the path of knowledge show  
and cause us in her ways to go. *Refrain*

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*Rejoice! Rejoice!*

*Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.*

**Affirmation of Faith**

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. And will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

**Gloria Patri**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Scripture**

**Luke 1:26-38**

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you.' But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.' Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

**Invitation to the Table**

Pastor: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

**Confession and Pardon**

**ALL:** *Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Pastor: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**People:** **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

**ALL:** *Glory to God. Amen*

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Pastor: God be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them up to God.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to our living God.

**People:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: Blessed are you, God of all creation; Source of all mercies, fount of love beyond all measure...  
...and with the whole company of heaven, we join the glad song of unceasing praise:

**People:** **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might; heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!**

Pastor: Holy are you, and be your name, gracious God,...

...we come in praise and thanksgiving with these gifts of your love, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**People:** **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pastor: Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us gathered here in Christ’s name...

...Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor, glory, and blessing is yours,  
Almighty God, now and forever.

**Lord’s Prayer****Hymn*****In the Bleak Midwinter*****UMH 221**

1. In the bleak midwinter,  
frosty wind made moan,  
earth stood hard as iron,  
water like a stone;  
snow had fallen, snow on snow,  
snow on snow,  
in the bleak midwinter,  
long ago.

4. What can I give him,  
poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd,  
I would bring a lamb;  
If I were a Wise Man,  
I would do my part;  
yet what I can I give him:  
give my heart.

**Benediction**