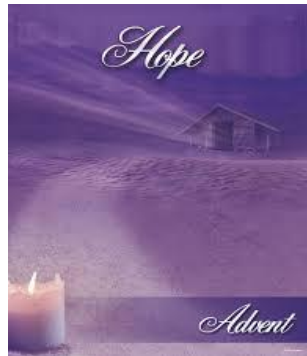




November 30, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Greeting/Announcements/Passing the Peace – *Cynthia Isaacs*

Call to Worship – Chuck Berning

Leader: Beloved, once again, we embark on the Advent path that points us to the coming of Jesus.

People: We journey together toward the day that all the earth awaits.

Leader: We remember the signs and the times that heralded the arrival of the baby Jesus, God Incarnate.

People: We journey together toward the day that all the earth awaits.

Leader: We tell the stories once again as we learn how to discern the signs and the times, watching for glimpses of God's here-and-not-yet kingdom among us.

People: We journey together toward the day that all the earth awaits.

Leader: Come, let us worship God who shines a light to guide us on the path to peace and flourishing for all creation.

All: Come, let us worship as we journey together toward the day that all the earth awaits.

Prayer– Chuck Berning

In the hushed anticipation of your coming, O Lord, kindle in us the desire to remain awake; that we might be ready for your coming and eager to pray. O God, in days to come, the mountain of your house will be established, and your joy shall reign. We pray for the church that you might teach us your ways and that we might walk in your paths. We pray for our nation, and all nations, that your peace would be manifest in every corner of the earth. We pray for the sick, the suffering, and

those in distress of any kind that you would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs. In your Kingdom, O Lord, even the wilderness and dry land are glad and rejoice. We pray for those who rejoice this week as they celebrate their birthday, anniversaries, and the end of illness, that they might obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing might flee away. In the fullness of time, O God, you sent your son to be born of our sister Mary. And his name was Emmanuel: God with Us. We thank you for your presence with us, and we pray that you might be always present with those whom we love but see no longer. Come among us, O God, and hear our prayers; so that when your Son Jesus comes among us with great might, and in manger mild, we might recognize his face and his voice and come to adore him. Amen.

Advent Candle Lighting – *Rose Family*

Songs of Worship – *Praise Team*

Children's Message – *Ginny Calehuff*

The children and youth are invited to Sunday School in the Mission Building.

Hymn - # 196 Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Prayer – *Ginny Calehuff*

Lord's Prayer

People: 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Testimony – *Marlene Saint*

Scripture – Isaiah 64:1, Romans 13:11-14, Matthew 24:36-44 - *Sheri Wattles*

Message – Awaken to the Nearness of God – *Glory Tharp, Certified Lay Minister*

Offering / Special Music

Doxology

Hymn – # 204 Emmanuel, Emmanuel

Benediction – Glory Tharp, Certified Lay Minister

Prayers

Korey Jackson at Mem'l West ICU, Alice Ebanks at Glades West Rehab, Richard Ebanks Hospice, Gail Petrosa at Presidential Place, Pat Allen, Alvin Barnett, Jeannie and Kevin Buckley, Wayne Byers, Ginny & Bernie Calehuff, Myra Christensen, Susie & Dr. Bob Dickinson, Marlene Ebanks, Stephen Evans, Linda Fales, Elizabeth Farrie, Khloe Foote, Luella Gentles, Claudia Glover, Patty Hodge, Mike Lewis, Faye Lindo, Lili Mazuriek, Jamie Pascucci, Pumpkin Charlie, David Reardon, Barbara Reed, John Smaltino, Dotnie Smith, Ginnie Stonebraker, Lucy Stevens, TJ Summers, Sue Sweat, Shirley Tegzes, Lucille Wattles, Helen Welsh, Alda Williams, Pastor Tammie's daughter Ty and grandson Wayne, Heaven's Gate UMC and Church on the Solid Rock UMC Cuba; the United Methodist Church, Residing Hope Foster Care, our learning center, church, pastors and staff, our troops, our country, Haiti, Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, and first responders. Prayers for all affected by Hurricane Melissa.

Our Altar Flowers today are given by Christine Cline and Lauren Lewis in honor of Pat Allen's 91st birthday.

Our altar flower calendar is in the hallway if you would like to sign up for a special Sunday in honor or memory of a loved one or event.

Presence and Gifts

We give thanks to everyone who joined us in person and online and thank you for your ministries and missions gifts of \$4,510. Operating needed each week is \$12,380. **Online Giving** go to www.newhorizonumc.com. Click on Give tab and choose the fund. We thank you for your continued faithfulness.



St. Mark Christmas Trees Available Now

We hope you'll support St. Mark Men's ministry by buying your Christmas tree but remember to shop early.

NHLC Silent Auction

Please check out our auction items now available.

<https://nhlc.schoolauction.net/breakfast/>. You can check out the baskets in the Sanctuary on Wednesday at 5:30 pm. All proceeds benefit our preschool.

Help Jamaica

Our care team is collecting money to be sent to Jamaica to ensure some of our direct family members are cared for following the destruction left behind by Hurricane Melissa. This donation is in addition to the funds received and sent to UMCOR. Please mark your check or envelope Jamaica or online choose Fund: Missions Miscellaneous.

ADVENT STUDY - *Brought to the Light: Advent for all who need it by Anna Grace Legband*

In Advent, we celebrate the arrival of Jesus. But in the midst of Christmas celebrations, we can forget a simple, essential truth: **Jesus came because we need Him.** We invite you to open the Scriptures and encounter afresh the light of the world. **Advent is for all who need it.**



Advent Begins Today - HOPE

Advent means ‘Coming’ in Latin. This is the coming of Jesus into the world. We use the four weeks of Advent to prepare ourselves and remember the real meaning of Christmas. Each Sunday we share in a special reading as the advent candles are lit in preparation of the arrival of Jesus Christ. This season is a perfect time to invite family and friends to join you in preparation for the true meaning of Christmas. Each Sunday in December join us at 7:00 pm for Holy Communion service.

Sunday, December 7 [PEACE] Special music from our Handbell Choir

Sunday, December 14 [JOY] Special music from our Chancel Choir-Christmas cantata JOY, String Trio will be playing our prelude and offering.

Sunday, December 21 [LOVE]

Wednesday, December 24 [CHRIST] Christmas Eve 4:00 pm Interactive Family Service, 5:30 pm Candlelight Communion. Our middle school flute trio will bring special music.

*New Horizon is a mission minded church. During the year we have many outreach giving opportunities local, national and international. We ask you to prayerfully consider which projects God is calling you to support.
We thank you for all that you do to help others.*

**Our Complete Calendar is on our Website –
www.newhorizonumc.com/calendar
Office Hours Monday-Thursday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
WiFi in the Sanctuary, name: NHUMC password: blessyou**