

# Welcome to Worship

Rev. Katie Waggoner, Pastor

Order of Worship | Sunday, November 28, 2021

Gathering, Welcome & Announcements:

## Invitation and Gathering

**Opening Hymn:**  
**#196 Come Thou Long Expected Jesus**

**Call to Worship**  
**(Jeremiah 33, 1 Thessalonians 3, Luke 21)**

One: People of faith, prepare for the coming reign of Christ!

**All: As we gather to pray and sing and listen,  
a spirit of anticipation and hope fills us.**

One: The days are surely coming, says Our God,  
when justice and righteousness will prevail.

**All: May our worship illuminate our hearts and minds,  
freeing us to respond joyfully to God's call in the days to  
come.**

**Lighting the Advent Candle**  
**Hymn: #2090 Light the Advent Candle verse 1**

**Children's Message:**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Children's Church...**

## Loving the Wider World Through Our Sharing

*(Please place connection cards in the offering plate)*

### **Prayers of the People**

Pastor: "Lord in Your Mercy,"  
Congregational response: **"Hear our prayer."**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

**Hymn: #203 Hail to the Lord's Anointed**

## Proclamation and Response

**Scripture:** Micah 5:2, Luke 1:32-33, Mark 1:14-15,  
Matthew 16:15-16, Revelation 19:16

**Sermon:** Incarnation: Christ the King

**The Offering:** \*Doxology: Hymn #95

## Sending Forth

**Closing Hymn:**  
**#213 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates**

**Benediction: (1 Thessalonians 3, Luke 21)**

Go into the world awake to the signs  
of God's invitations to new life.  
Know that the reign of Christ draws nearer  
with each right action we choose.

**Amen.**

*\*Please stand as you are able  
Read in unison words printed in bolded type*

## **Announcements**

Coffee hour is on break.

Bible Study will take place on Sundays after church. Today we will meet after the post church service chit chat.

We are looking for volunteers to help with Advent Bags this year! Picking out what's in them, packing them, etc. Contact Pastor Katie if you are interested in helping out!

## **Mission/Vision Statement**

The mission of the Alden Community United Methodist Church is to CONNECT people to Christ, NURTURE them to spiritual maturity, and PREPARE them to go into the world to bear fruit and to set a Christian Example.

### **We will accomplish this by:**

- Celebrating with heartfelt worship of God
- Pursuing individual Christ-centered growth
- Being a caring community for all
- Using our time, talents, and gifts for God's purpose
- Sharing the Word of God

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