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Focus for Next Service

December 6th-The Second Sunday of Advent

Preparing for the End-part 2

Isaiah 40:1-11 Mark 1:1-8

Public WIFI Log-in

PFUMC-Guest Password: ConnectMe!

Let us know you are worshiping with us,
whether you are in the Sanctuary or on YouTube.
Please fill out a connect card in your bulletin
or use the comment section on YouTube
to make your prayer request known to the pastor.
He will include your thanks to God
and your prayer concerns in our pastoral prayer.
If you would like to add your prayers to the weekly prayer chain,
contact Karen Lynch at 717-571-5903 or karen_lynch@me.com.

9:00 AM Non-Traditional Service
10:30 AM Traditional Service
All services are both in person and live-streamed
on our website and YouTube.

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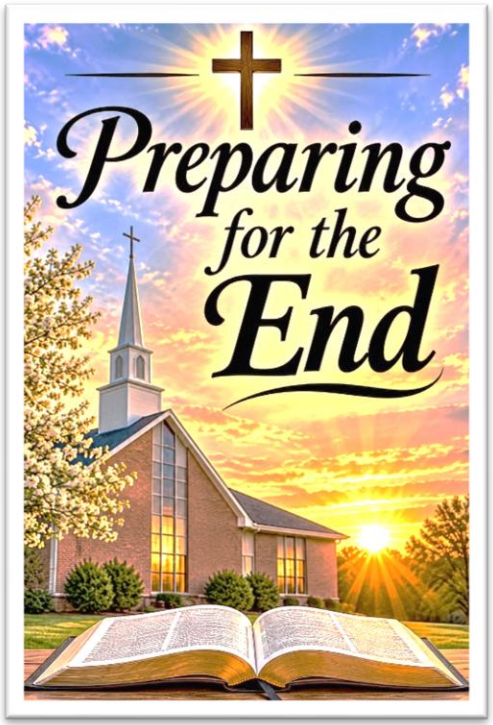

November 29th, 2026

The First Sunday of Advent

Preparing for the End

10:30 AM Service

Serving Christ, Changing Lives!

*Congregation standing, as able

Preparing for the End

Prelude

*Lighting of the Advent Wreath #196 "Come, Thou …"

*Call to Worship Kirkland p. 11 (Lectionary Worship Aids) alt.

Leader: As we prepare to celebrate Christmas,
we must remember Christ often comes into our lives
when we least expect him.

People: As we worship this morning,
keep us alert, opening the door to God.

Leader: Indeed, open the doors of your hearts.
Seek God's presence!

People: Blessed be the name of the Lord!

*Opening Hymn #213 "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

Opening Prayer Kirkland p. 11(Lectionary Worship Aids)alt.

Holy God,
as we make preparations
to celebrate the coming of our lord, Jesus Christ,
may we not be found sleeping
when there comes a knock on the door of our hearts
and Christ seeks to enter.
Surrounded by the secularization of this holy season,
keep us alert to the true meaning of Christmas.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer "using the word sins instead of trespasses"

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 64:1-9

Gospel Reading Mark 13:24-37

Sermon "Preparing for the End: Our End Will Come"

*Hymn of Response #718 "Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending"

Prayer of Confession Kirkland p. 11 (Lectionary Worship Aids) alt.

For your Advent,
we are often distracted
by our thoughts of sending cards
and preparing our shopping lists.
By the power of your Holy Spirit,
forgive our shortsightedness,
and fix our attention on the earth-shaking
and life-changing event
of both your coming into the world
and your ultimate return to the world.
Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession Words of Pardon and Assurance

Offering

*Offertory Response #95 "Praise God For Whom…."

*Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

*Closing Hymn #717 "The Battle Hymn of the Republic"

*Benediction

*Choral Response #717 (refrain only) "The Battle Hymn …"

Postlude