

The Altar flowers today are given by Jim and Liza Young in celebration of Tracy's birthday and by Illona Kitchen in loving memory of Maxine Cranick

Would you like to purchase flowers for a special Sunday?

Call the church office to place your order.

The cost is \$20 per vase.

Outreach

Loose Change

These donations will go towards missions.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

DEADLINES

Items for the **Prayer List** are due by the end of business hours on Wednesday of each week.

Be sure to submit no later than Wednesday prior to desired posting for The Weekly Messenger.

Send those requests to Rachelle Heldt at: rachelle@uticaumc.org

Information received after the deadlines will be added the following week.



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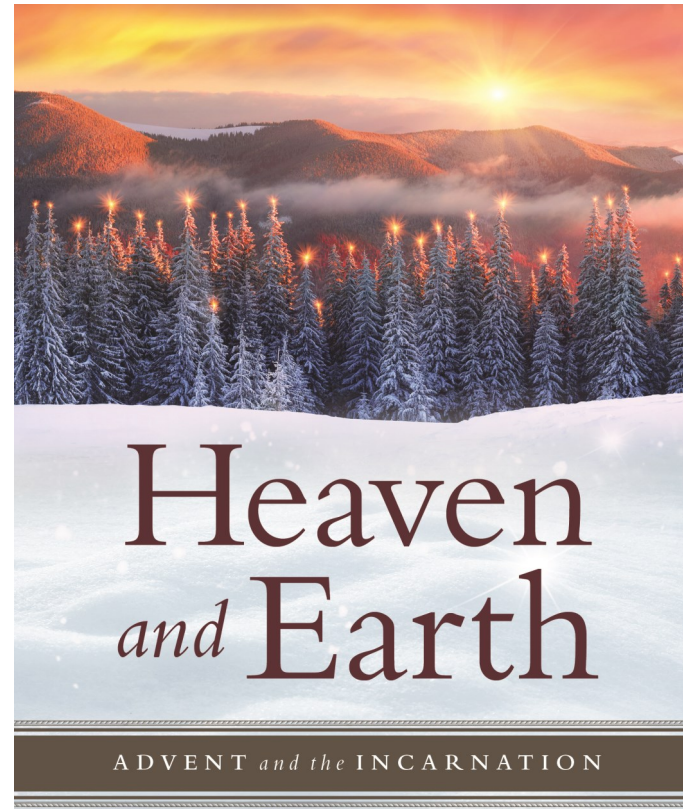
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"We've Only Just Begun"



December 17, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Advent



Sunday, December 17, 2023

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude **“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”**

***Advent Reading and Candlelighting**
Dave and Peggy Miller

***Opening Hymn** **“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”**
UMC Hymnal #203

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer **See Screen**

Prayer Response **“The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy”**
FWS #2098 (Vs. 1)

Scripture Lesson **Romans 16:25-27** **See Screen**
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Offertory Prayer

Offertory **“The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came”**
The Chancel Choir

***Doxology** **UMC Hymnal 94**

***Song of Preparation** **“Once in Royal David’s City”**
UMC Hymnal #250

***New Testament Lesson** **Luke 1:26-56** **See Screen**
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Message **“Rejoice”**
Rev. Don Gotham

Song of Celebration **“He is Born”**
UMC Hymnal #228

***Benediction** ***(Stand, if able)**

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David Fox

Liturgist

Liza Young

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Andrew Lawson David Clark Jim Price Geoff Pelton

Prayer Ministry Team

Martha Powers Debbie Foscett

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