

# St. Helens First United Methodist Church

560 Columbia Blvd., St. Helens, OR 97051

November 29, 2020

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

**O God, come to us in our need. Like a shepherd, you care for us. Like a potter, you shape our lives. Faithful God, we are waiting for you. Come down to us. Come down to us as fire, and burn away the bonds that hold us back. Light our spirits with your eternal love. Shape us with your hands, that we may be vessels fit to receive your presence. We are waiting, Holy One, and place our trust in your love. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 64:1-9

READER: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.**

HYMN/ANTHEM: Angels from the Realms of Glory (v. 1-3) See Below

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLES

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

**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, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 24:36-44

READER: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE: "While We Wait"

HYMN/ANTHEM: It Came Upon the Midnight Clear See Below

CLOSING PRAYER (Unison)

**In these days of Advent, we are waiting. We are waiting for Jesus, God's love come to us. May our days of waiting be holy. May our time of preparation be patient and expectant. May our Advent season be**

**filled with wisdom. And may we be alert and aware of God's work in our lives, our faith community, and our world. Amen.**

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 5

**It is a blessing to be worshipping with you this first Sunday of Advent. Due to the coronavirus outbreak, there are no worship services or small group meetings currently being held at the church. Instead, we are worshipping online on the church website ([www.sthelensfirstumc.org](http://www.sthelensfirstumc.org)) and engaging in fellowship and Bible study over Zoom. Bible study is at 10:30 am on Sunday and fellowship follows at 12 noon. Login information is available on the main page of our church website.**

**If you have any questions about the reopening of the church or would like to know more about our ministry during this time, call Pastor Jared at (206) 930-9051 or email him at [pastorjaredmaddox@gmail.com](mailto:pastorjaredmaddox@gmail.com). You can also call the church office at (503) 397-0061 or email it at [office@shfumc.comcastbiz.net](mailto:office@shfumc.comcastbiz.net).**

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