# **Welcome to Worship**

Rev. Katie Waggoner, Pastor

Order of Worship | Sunday, December 5, 2021

Gathering, Welcome & Announcements:

## **Invitation and Gathering**

Opening Hymn: #246 Joy to the World

#### **Call to Worship**

L: Welcome today to this time of preparation.

P: Although we have been preparing for celebrations, we come seeking to prepare our hearts to receive God's Good News.

L: Get ready! The Lord is bringing to us Hope and Peace.

P: How wonderful it is that the Lord is showering us with Peace.

L: Open your hearts and let your spirits be quieted. Be at peace with the Lord.

P: Lord, prepare our lives and bring us peace. AMEN.

Lighting the Advent Candle Hymn: #2090 Light the Advent Candle verse 2

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: #242 Love Came Down at Christmas** 

### **Proclamation and Response**

**Scripture:** Psalm 42:5, Matthew 1:18-21, Phillipians 3:20-21

**Sermon:** Incarnation: Savior

The Offering: \*Doxology: Hymn #95

### **Sending Forth**

Closing Hymn: #218 It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

#### **Benediction:**

Peace be with you and with all whom you love. Go now into God's world with God's peace in your hearts and lives. Go in hope and peace. 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.

#### **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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