



Order of Worship - Hanging of the Greens - November 30, 2025

Prelude	<i>Meditation on "The Holly and the Ivy"</i>	David Lasky (b. 1957)
Welcome		Rev. Will Burhans
Lighting of the Advent Wreath	Candle of Hope	The Laffertys
Processional Hymn	<i>Comfort, Comfort Ye My People</i>	Pilgrim Hymnal #104
Morning Prayer/Lord's Prayer/Gloria in excelsis Deo		Rev. Maeve Hammond

HANGING OF THE GREENS

The Sanctuary Evergreens		reader: George C.
Carol	<i>The Holly and the Ivy</i> (2 verses)	Traditional Carol
The Christmas Poinsettia		reader: Luke Vaughn
Carol	<i>Silent Night, Holy Night</i> (1 verse)	Pilgrim Hymnal, #138
The Christmas Tree		reader: Michaela S.
Carol	<i>O Christmas Tree</i>	Traditional German Folk Song
<i>As we sing, you are invited to come forward and place an ornament on the sanctuary tree. The Deacons have extra ornaments in the back of the sanctuary if you need one.</i>		
The Crèche		reader: Nathan K.
Carol	<i>O Little Town of Bethlehem</i> (1 verse)	Pilgrim Hymnal, #134
Offertory: The Gifts of Christmas		Maggie Keeler
Carol: <i>The Song of Saint Nicholas</i> to the tune of "Jolly Old St. Nicholas"		
Scripture	Isaiah 2 Psalm 122 Matthew 24:42-44	Liturgist: Axel O. & Isaac K.
Sermon	"A Go-Slow Advent"	Rev. Will Burhans
Anthem	<i>O Come, Emmanuel</i> Text: Latin, trans. John M. Neale (vv. 1-2); Henry S. Coffin (v. 3) John Soult, cello	Music: Elaine Hagenberg

Closing Hymn

Wait With Us

To the tune "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus." Written by members of this congregation, the writing of this hymn was made possible by Rev. Judith Arnold's sabbatical grant, 2012.

Announcements/Benediction

Rev. Maeve Hammond & Rev. Will Burhans

Postlude

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme

J.G. Walther (1684-1748)

Rev. Will Burhans, Lead Pastor, **Rev. Maeve Hammond**, Associate Pastor, **Jane Ring Frank**, Minister of Worship & the Arts, **Maggie Keeler**, Minister of Children & Families, **Jeffrey Mead**, Keyboards, **Sarah Marino**, Office Administrator.

Thanks to **Brian McArdle**, our Live Stream Technician, and **Leslie French** for Slide Advancement.

Deacons serving today are: **Richard Carbone**, **Rich Crawford**, **Julia Daggett**, and **Branda Wilhoite**.

Visitors, get connected!

Tell us about yourself and/or request a prayer.

Fill out a Welcome/Prayer Request Card in the pews.

Flowers

Today's chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God, and in loving memory of deceased members and friends of this congregation.



RIPLEY PRESENTS

PANDORA CONSORT

DECEMBER 12, 2025
7:30 PM

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