

## HEYWARD STREET UMC

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Second Sunday of Advent

Welcome and Call to Worship

**Song** Hark the Herald Angels Sing UMH 240

**Lighting of the Advent Candles** Ara-Viktoria's Family

Isaiah 40 Nature Element: dried grass

**Refrain** A Candle is Burning Tune: Away in a Manger

A candle is burning, a candle of PEACE, a candle to signal that conflict must cease. For Jesus is coming to show us the way a message of peace humbly laid in the hay.

**Receiving of the Offering** 

**Scripture** Mark 1:1-8 Pew Bible p 34

**Sermon** Our Just Peace Rev. Tammy Blom

**Song** Glory, Let There Be Peace Praise Team

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

**Closing Song** O Holy Night

**Benediction** 

## Did You Hear?

Our Christmas Concert was a lively good time last week. If you missed Sugar Blues, please check our YouTube site. I heard several comments throughout the afternoon. Here are a few.



I saw the signs and couldn't believe this concert was free. Thank you.

You are the church that does communion and ashes on the steps. I am impressed by that.

The sanctuary is beautifully decorated. It put me right in the Christmas spirit.

The reception was a special treat. Please thank the church for me.

Thank you to our musicians, vocalists, AV team, servers, and greeters. We connected Christ and Community last week!

## **Christmas Offering for Epworth Children's Home**

Donations are being accepted to support the ministry at Epworth Children's Home. Place donations in offering plate or give online.

**Poinsettia Order Forms** are due today. To sponsor a poinsettia, please include payment of \$15 per plant and a completed form. Poinsettias will be available to take home on December 17.



**Advent Devotionals** are emailed weekly *and* are available online at <a href="http://www.heywardst.church/bulletins/">http://www.heywardst.church/bulletins/</a>. Our resource is *Bless the Advent We Actually Have* by K. Bowler.

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