

# HEYWARD STREET UMC

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## **Welcome and Opening Prayer**

**Christmas Hymn** Hark, the Herald Angels Sing UMH 240

## **Lighting of the Advent Candles**

In a weary and worn world, how do we begin again?

Let us begin with the good news!

Let us begin with words that speak light to those who sit in darkness. Let our feet walk in the way of peace.

Today, we light the candles of hope and peace.

May these lights remind us of what could be.

May these lights mark a new beginning.

May hope and peace flow forth from here.

**Scripture** Luke 1:67-79 Pew Bible p 58

**Receiving of the Offering** 

Christmas Hymn O Little Town of Bethlehem UMH 230

**Sermon** No Longer Silent Rev. Blom

**Song** Peace Praise Team

**Prayers of the People** 

Christmas Hymn Silent Night UMH 239



# **WE (AN'T GO ALONE**



#### Words for the Beginning – an Advent Worship Series

For this series, we are utilizing quilt patterns. Today's image is called a "log cabin" and is meant to symbolize that together we hold one another up. *Sanctified Art* 

#### **Today is the Day**

If you have "sponsor poinsettia" on your to-do list, today is the day. Please submit your completed form and donation.



#### **Christmas Music Concert**

Many thanks to our volunteers who greeted guests, served refreshments, performed vocals and instrumentals, and operated audiovisuals. Over 60 guests enjoyed the music and hospitality.



#### **Luncheon for Epworth Outstanding Employees**

Kind appreciation is extended to Alexandra Agee, Bill and Brenda Bauer, Karen Goodale, Marlene Sipes, Sandy and John Smith, and Pasta Fresca for providing a congratulatory meal.



#### **Christmas Wish Tree**



HSUMC's Christmas wishes are attached to ornaments on the tree in the entry. Please choose the wish that you will make come true. Remove the ornament from tree. Place in large envelope with donation.

Advent Devotionals will be emailed weekly.

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