



GRACE UNITED CHURCH

Christmas Pageant

Advent 2 - PEACE

December 7, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.

Worship Leader: Keith Mayers

Music Director: Don Salfarie

Lay Presider: Myrna Adams-Falujo

GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude: Little Drummer Boy

K. K. Davis

Welcome, Announcements
& Traditional Land Acknowledgment

Myrna Adams-Falujo

Advent Hymn: Led by the Choir

Hope Is a Star

VU #7, v. 1 and refrain

Advent Reading & Candle Lighting 2 (PEACE) Mayers Family

Reader 1: Again, we light a candle for hope - hope for ourselves, hope for our beloved world.

(The BLUE candle that was lit last Sunday is lit)

Reader 2: Today we remember that Jesus was called the Prince of Peace.

Reader 1: We remember the angels' song: Peace on Earth.

Reader 2: We still do not have peace on earth. Many suffer, because of war and violence.

Reader 1: And so, we light a candle to shine the light of peace: peace in our hearts, peace in our community, peace in the world.

(A BLUE candle is lit.)

Reader 2: May that gentle and peaceful light spread out all through the world!

All: God of all peace, may your light always shine bright within us.

May we choose the paths of peace. May all our words and deeds and prayers express our longing for a peaceful world: a world where wounds are healed, where enemies become friends, where war is no more, where all can live free of fear. In the name of Jesus, Prince of Peace. Amen.

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Hope Is a Star

VU #7, v. 2 and refrain

Opening Prayer:

Keith Mayers

Christ is at home in your heart. Place your hand over your heart. Close your eyes and see the candle's light in your mind's eye. Sit quietly and notice where peace is stirring... (pause) Rest in the light of Peace beckoning... breathe... breathe... breathe... (pause)

ALL

Come, Peace, come

Stir in our souls

Find your birthing place in our living.

Encircle us with a ribbon of love.

Come, Peace, come.

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Children's Time - John Piper's Nativity Window

Video: Stained Glass Art Lesson

Piano Solo: Away in a Manger Rehoboam (King) Madriaga

TO DISCOVER THE WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY

Sunday School Christmas Pageant- "Christmas Light Show"

Written by Nevan Hooker and John Bayer 2023

TO RESPOND IN FAITH AND HOPE

Offering Invitation

Offertory/Special Music: Jennifer Gibbs-Reilly

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

Traditional Carol

Offering Response: Gloria

Voices United #37

Offertory Prayer

Prayer Blessing: Jennifer Gibbs-Reilly

Prayer Prelude – Psalm 91

VU#808, v. 1 and chorus

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (said)

Praise and Worship 2: Led by the Choir

Angels We Have Heard on High

Voices United #38

THE CHURCH SCATTERS TO LIVE ITS FAITH IN THE WORLD

Commissioning

Keith Mayers

Blessing

The path before you,
may you walk it in peace
The path behind you:
may you leave it in peace
And the path within you
may it be peace indeed.
Journey with the peace of Christ & the light of hope.

Amen.

adapted from a blessing by Jan Richardson

Go Now in Peace

Don Besig & Nancy Price

Postlude: My Favourite Things

Richard Rogers

CHRISTMAS SERVICES



Sunday, Dec. 14

WORSHIP LEADER: SCOTT MARTIN 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, Dec. 21

CHRISTMAS MUSIC SERVICE 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 24

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE 7:00 p.m.