



La Mesa First United Methodist Church

November 28, 2021

1st Sunday of Advent

Opening Prayer Rev. Christian DeMent

Prelude C.M. Widor
Serenade
Paul Rosas, Piano & Michael Lawrence, Organ

Welcome & Greeting Rev. Christian DeMent

Announcements Mary Earnest

Opening Song UMH 203
Hail to the Lord's Anointed

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!
 Hail in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!
 He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free;
 to take away transgression, and rule in equity.*

*He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong;
 to help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong;
 to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,
 whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in his sight.*

*He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;
 love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth.
 Before him, on the mountains, shall peace, the herald, go,
 and righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.*

Children's Moment Rev. Christian DeMent

Baptism Josephine Mooney
born 9/12/19
to Cory and Mikaela Mooney

Advent Candle Lighting The Mooney Family

Advent Hymn UMH 211
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

*O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
 that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.*

Prayers of the Community

Lord's Prayer

Offertory Arr. by M. Hayes
Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming
Michael Lawrence, Piano

Offertory Prayer

Kelli DeMent

We invite you to use the church website or the Give+ app on your smartphone for your offering today.

Scripture

Kelli DeMent

Isaiah 61:1-2, 6-7; Amos 5:21, 23-24; Matthew 2:6; Romans 12:9

Sermon

Rev. Christian DeMent

“When Everything Is Wrong: “It’s the Most Wonderful Time of the Year?””

Hymn*Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

UMH 196

*Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.
Israel’s strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation joy of every longing heart.*

*Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King,
born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.*

Benediction

Rev. Christian DeMent

Postlude*Humoresque*

C.M. Widor

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*Save the Date!
Upcoming events:*

*Dec. 12th – 4:00 pm
Dec. 19th – 10:45 am
Dec. 24th – 4:00 pm
Dec. 24th – 7:00 pm
Dec. 25th – 12:00 pm*

*Pacific Harmonix Holiday Choral Concert
Paul Rosas Organ Christmas Mini-Concert
Family Christmas Eve Service
Candlelight and Communion Christmas Eve Service
Christmas Dinner*



Thank you for worshipping with us this morning!

Next week, please join us again in person at 9:30 am; on Facebook or YouTube for the livestream; or either of those channels to view a recording on your own schedule.

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**We are now recording our services for later viewing.*

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- Javier Piñón, AV Tech • Omar De Los Reyes & Paul McDaniel, Sound Techs • Stephanie Draper, Soloist
- Stephanie Draper, Charlyn Kelly, Ranelle Johnson, Eric Dewey Hoffman, Derek Wilton Song Leaders
 - Michael Lawtence, Organist/Accompanist