



November 30, 2025 – First Sunday of Advent

Response

“O come, O come, Emmanuel”

UMH #211  
(Verse 1, Unison)

*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.*

# Prelude

# Welcome

\*Gathering Hymn

“People, Look East”

UMH #202  
(Verses 1 & 2)

\*Call to Worship

Leader: In a world that can feel uncertain, we come to center our hearts in God.

**People: God is faithful, steady, and near in every season.**

Leader: To our questions and worries, God whispers, “Be strong; do not fear.”

**People: We choose trust today, knowing God goes before us.**

Leader: Come, let us worship God, who meets us with hope and grace.

**People: With expectant hearts, we welcome the promise of Advent. Amen.**

## Lighting of the Advent Candle

Betty & Allen Fidler

Leader: Today we light the first candle of Advent, the candle of Hope. As we gather this morning, we acknowledge that life can feel uncertain and the path ahead unclear. Yet in every season, God meets us with a steady and faithful presence. We hold onto the promise God speaks to us: “Be strong; do not fear. Here is your God.”

Leader: This candle reminds us that God is near and faithful in every season.

**People: We place our hope in God, who goes before us and walks with us.  
Come, Lord Jesus, our Hope. Amen.**

## Scripture Reading

Isaiah 35:3–4

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## Message

## “When Life Feels Uncertain”

Pastor R. Brailsford

Closing Hymn:

## “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

UMH #196

## Announcements and Offering

## Prayer of Gratitude

## Fellowship Breakfast

## Go in Peace

## Postlude

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