



Tecumseh United Church  
~ An Affirming Congregation ~  
Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent - Peace**

*We are a fragrance-free environment. We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Attawandaron, Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee peoples*  
\* Please adopt the posture works best for you in singing

**We Gather in God's Love**

Welcome and Announcements

**Lighting the Advent Candles:**

Today is the Advent of peace. As we light this candle, we remember all who live in the midst of conflict, in their own homes, in their communities, in their countries, anywhere in the world.

**We live in a fractured world of racial tensions and economic disparity.**

We light this candle as our commitment to embracing diversity.

**We are the peacemakers in this world.**

We light this candle to herald the coming of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. (*Lighting of the Advent Candle of Peace*)

***Candle-lighting Hymn # 6 "A Candle is Burning" verse 2***

**Call to Worship:**

We await the one who shall come from the shoot of Jesse.

**The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him.**

We await the one who comes in the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

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**With righteousness he shall judge those impoverished  
and decide equitably for those who are oppressed.**

**We await the one who comes in peace and hope.**

**Come, Lord Jesus, come.**

***\*Hymn # 20 "On Jordan's Bank"***

Opening Prayer:

**God of Peace, we gather here to continue the journey of  
Advent, a journey that takes us to the manger and beyond.  
We journey in a world where too often the shadows are  
getting closer. Around us, we continue to hear the clamour  
of war and the rattling of sabres, and too often,  
peace seems to be a distant dream.**

**O God, we pray for your peace, not just the peace that is  
the absence of war, but the peace that will lead to your  
kingdom.**

**We long for the peace revealed through your son, who  
witnesses to your kingdom coming not through the sword,  
but through healing those who are sick, feeding those who  
are hungry, and reaching out to those who feel lost & alone.  
May this vision of peace fill us today, so together we will be  
agents of God's peace in the world. Amen.**

***\*Hymn MV # 221 "I Am Walking a Path of Peace"***

Faith Friends / Lord's Prayer

***Hymn MV # 175 "May We But Wait"***

*We Listen to God's Word*

Scripture Readings: Romans 15:4-13, Matt 3:1-12

***\*Hymn MV # 152 "You Who Watch the Highest Heavens"***

Meditation

*We Respond to God's Word*

***Choir Anthem***

The Offering / Offering Prayer

***Offertory Hymn # 116 "Giver of the Perfect Gift" verse 1***

Prayers of the People / Prayer Book is read

*We Go to Love and Serve God*

***\*Hymn # 48 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"***

Commissioning & Benediction

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**Thank you** for coming today for worship.

If you are new to the church, please fill out a Welcome Envelope.

**Thanks** to Mary Lou Haskell for reading and to Janet, Anne,  
Sandy and Elaine for hosting Coffee Hour this morning.

**Happy Birthday today** to Beth Hebert and later this week to  
Annabelle Symons, John Laken, John Cafe and Mark Coulbeck

**DONATE to STREET HELP** *On the entry table*, please find out how  
we can add Street Help to our List for Christmas Gifts. **Financial**  
**donations** to Street Help enable them to buy needed food and  
cooking supplies. Please forward financial donations as in the past:  
cash donations should be made out to Tecumseh United Church, if  
paying by cheque write "Street Help" on the memo line of the  
cheque. Or e-transfer your donation to  
donations@tecumsehunited.com and state  
"Street Help" in the comment section. Thank you.