

Ladies- It's the annual **UCW Advent Communion** Service followed by a **Potluck lunch and carol singing** this coming **Tuesday, December 2nd** beginning at **12:30pm**
Please join us for this time of fellowship.

Hiatus House Christmas Project

The UCW is providing blankets for the women at the shelter. Donations will help us buy what we need.
Please give as you are able to May Lou Haskell.

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Tecumseh United Church
~ An Affirming Congregation ~
Sunday, November 30^h, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.
First Sunday of Advent - Hope
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 stand as you are able
We Gather in God's Love

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Advent Candle: *(Based on work by Kevin Bradley)*

In this Advent season, we honor a time in history when people anticipated the birth of a child.

The child grew to be a man who gave hope to his people.

That man showed the people new ways to express God in their lives.

Following his example,

we express God in everything we do.

There are people who do not know how to express God.

There are people who do not know love. We will love them.

We will look for the Christ presence in them and show them how to express it. We will be the change we wish to see

in the world. *(The lighting of the Advent Candle of Hope)*

Candle-lighting Hymn # 6 "A Candle Is Burning" verse 1

Call to Worship:

We gather in this time of waiting we call Advent
**to reflect upon our lives, our faith, our past,
present and future.**

We gather to support each other through the season of Christmas

with its joy for some, sorrow for others.

We gather to reset ourselves on our faith journey
within our Christian family, the church.

Let us worship God, who gives us Jesus, the Christ
alive in the past, in the present, and in the future.
Thanks be to God, Amen.

***Hymn # 374 “Come and Find the Quiet Centre”**

Opening Prayer:

O God, the source of all our dreaming, this Advent season,
help us to dream of a better world, a world of justice and
peace, in which the whole of creation is treated with
reverence and respect.

God who empowers and frees us from our reluctance
to change, this Advent season, enable us to take
responsibility for our own thoughts and actions,
and so become compassionate people who work
to create a better world.

O God, this Advent season, may our inner turmoil serve
as a force to be focused on supporting just causes.
And grant that we may not be so enchanted by a desire
for peace that we fail to do anything about the injustices
and oppressions of this world. Amen.

Hymn MV # 195 “Long Ago and Far Away”

Communion ~ see insert

Faith Friends Time / Lord's Prayer

***Hymn # 7 “Hope Is a Star” verse 1**

We Listen to God's Word

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 40:3 - 4, Matthew 24:36 - 44

***Hymn # 680 “Isaiah the Prophet Has Written of Old”**

Meditation: Hope

We Respond to God's Word

Instrumental – flute and piano

Mission Reflection

The Offering

Offertory Hymn # 541 “Praise God from Whom...

Offering Prayer:

God of all peoples and God of all places, we give our
offerings that they may be used to extend your kin-dom here
on earth. With them, we offer our varied ministries, that each
of us may be part of your answer to the cries of the world.
Amen.

Prayer Book is read / Prayers of the people

We Go to Love and Serve God

***Hymn # 677 “O God of Every Nation”**

Commissioning:

Come, let us walk the road that Mary walked,
the challenging road from Nazareth to Bethlehem
not knowing what the future holds.

Come, let us walk the road that Joseph walked
not sure what we are taking on but standing
to be counted no matter the cost of such love.

Come, let us walk the road that Jesus walked
from Bethlehem - via Galilee - to Jerusalem,
from Advent to Easter from new birth to new life.
Amen.

Benediction

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Thanks to Sue Dowhayko for reading and to the Faith Friends
for hosting Coffee Hour this morning.

Happy Birthday this week to

Sue White, Mark Auger and Kathy Arner