



**LA JOLLA  
UNITED METHODIST**

**Sunday November 29, 2020  
4th Sunday of Extended Advent**



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**Prelude:** “Give Thanks” Arr. Lloyd Larson

**Musician(s):** Jennifer Lie, Keyboard

## **Welcome**

**Opening Music:** “Sing With All the Saints in Glory]” UMH #702

**Musician(s):** Lisa Corpron, Jayson Coleman, Jennifer Lie

1. Sing with all the saints in glory, sing the resurrection song!  
Death and sorrow, earth’s dark story, to the former days belong.  
All around the clouds are breaking, soon the storms of time shall cease;  
in God’s likeness we, awaking, know the everlasting peace.
2. O what glory, far exceeding all that eye has yet perceived!  
Holiest hearts, for ages pleading, never that full joy conceived.  
God has promised, Christ prepares it, there on high our welcome waits.  
Every humble spirit shares it; Christ has passed th’eternal gates.
3. Life eternal! heaven rejoices: Jesus lives, who once was dead.  
Join we now the deathless voices; child of God, lift up your head!  
Patriarchs from the distant ages, saints all longing for their heaven,  
prophets, psalmists, seers, and sages, all await the glory given.
4. Life eternal! O what wonders crowd on faith; what joy unknown,  
when, amidst earth’s closing thunders, saints shall stand before the throne!  
O to enter that bright portal, see that glowing firmament;  
know, with thee, O God Immortal, “Jesus Christ whom thou has sent!”

## **Prayers of the People**

*A Pastor will begin a time of prayer and name those for whom our congregation is praying. A time of silence will indicate when you may share one name or very short phrase to add.*

## **Pastoral Prayer**

## **Advent Blessing - Lighting the Candle of Hope**

**Scripture:** Mark 13:24-37

**Message:** “Watching & Waiting”

## **Response to the Word**

## Confession, Assurance, and Peace

Liturgist: You call us to wait, to watch, to be ready. But we are so easily distracted, busily doing other things. We grow drowsy and complacent. Give us wisdom, as we prepare for your coming. Forgive our foolishness and our impatience. Restore us by your grace. Look upon us with your favor, that we might know your presence. Shape us into vessels of blessing, for we are your children, longing to touch your Spirit. Amen.

Pastor: God is the potter who shapes our lives. God is the parent who loves us. We are the people of God—forgiven, loved, and freed. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Liturgist: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

**Offertory:** “There’s Something About That Name” UMH # 171

**Musician(s):** Lisa Corpron, Jayson Coleman, Jennifer Lie

## Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

*Communion elements have been placed on chairs before the beginning of Worship. Please wait until directed before opening and receiving.*

**Closing Music:** “Soon and Very Soon” UMH UMH #706

**Musician(s):** Lisa Corpron, Jayson Coleman, Jennifer Lie

1. Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King;  
soon and very soon, we are going to see the King;  
soon and very soon, we are going to see the King.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We’re going to see the King.
2. No more dying there, we are going to see the King;  
no more dying there, we are going to see the King;  
no more dying there, we are going to see the King.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We’re going to see the King.
3. No more crying there, we are going to see the King;  
no more crying there, we are going to see the King;  
no more crying there, we are going to see the King.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We’re going to see the King.

## Benediction

**LJUMC Ministry Team**

Rev. Bob Rhodes, Lead Pastor; Rev. Lea Booth, Pastor of Discipleship; Ann Gonsalves, Liturgist  
Bob Wuertz, Music Ministries Director; Theresa Erb, Administrative Assistant;  
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