

Reynolds United Methodist Church  
November 28, 2021 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

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**Prelude**

**Processional** "This is Love/Come Thou Long Expected Jesus" ~ Paul Baloche

**Gathering**

**Greeting & Words of Welcome & Centering**

**The All Church Memory Verse of the Month: Ruth 1:16**

"But Ruth replied, 'Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God.'" ~ Ruth 1:16

**Lighting the Advent Candle(s)** The Heimbaughs

Reader 1: When hope seems strange, God calls through the prophets, lighting our way and promising a future.

Reader 2: (as Reader 1 lights the first candle) We light this candle as a sign of the hope that is even now knocking at the door.

**All: Open the door, let light shine, let hope come in!**

**Opening Praise** "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" UMH 211

**Proclamation and Response**

**Children's Moment**

**Scripture Lesson** Jeremiah 14:7-9

**Message** "Series: Open the Door  
Week 1: Who Is The Stranger?" Pastor Seamus

**Thanksgiving & Communion**

**Hymn** "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" UMH 196

**Testimony to Joys and Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Doxology** (UMH 95)

**Prayer of Dedication (Unison)**

Incarnate God, you came and saved and have promised to return again and redeem the whole Creation. In faith and hope we offer our gifts, opening ourselves to be a means of making your love known as we anticipate Christ's coming again in glory. Amen.

**Sending Forth**

**Announcements** (See below)

**Sending Song** "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" ~ Josh Bales (UMH 213)

**Charge & Benediction**

**Postlude** "People Look East" ~ Marty Haugen (UMH 202)

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**CHURCH CALENDAR**

**Sunday, November 28** – HUB Cluster Youth Group, 4-6, Rochelle UMC, Learning Hannukah

**Wednesday, December 1** – Bible Study, Hosea, 9:30 am, Fellowship Hall

**Thursday, December 2** – Women's Fellowship, 8:30 am, The Kitchen Table, Rochelle

**Monday, December 13** – Ministry Council, 7 pm, Fellowship Hall

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The November Mission of the Month is the Rochelle Rescue Mission. Rochelle Rescue Mission is a Christian based homeless shelter in Rochelle, IL. The Mission emerged out of a pursuit to inspire and support the community, and a desire for actions to speak louder than words. Established in 2017, they strive to help those in need with temporary housing and connections to resources that will help them move forward with their lives.

Please make checks payable to "Reynolds Church" with "RRM" or "M.O.M." in the memo line and drop your donation any Sunday or mail to Penny Bennett.

Thank you. Missions Team

Submit items for the Newsletter to the Church office by November 29th.

**Serving this Sunday, November 28**

**Ushers for November:** TBD

**Greeters:** TBD

**Liturgist:** Lois Heimbaugh

**Youth Moment:** Rhonda Brown

**Children's Church Teacher:** Rhonda Brown

**Children's Church Shepherd:** TBD

**Communion Steward for November:** Kathy Becker

**Church Hostess for November:** Contact Pastor Seamus

**Coffee Fellowship Time:** Nurture

**Mowing/Snow:** Service Opportunity Available

**Serving next Sunday, December 5**

**Ushers for December:** TBD

**Greeters:** TBD

**Liturgist:** Rhonda Brown

**Youth Moment:** TBD

**Children's Church Teacher:** First Sunday, Children stay in worship

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**Coffee Fellowship Time:** The Yocum Family

**Mowing/Snow:** Service Opportunity Available

Last week's Offering:      Church Fund      \$      560.00



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