



GATHERING

Gathering Music

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Rezound!

Gathering

* Gathering the Advent Light

* Song of Faith

People, Look East

UMH 202

ENGAGING

The Brown Bag Mystery Tour

R² & The AUMC Young Ones

Children and youth of all ages and stages are welcome to come to the front of the sanctuary to hang out with Rev. Rebecca as we discover the surprise awaiting us in the Brown Bag.

The Story

Matthew 11:1-11 | Isaiah 43:19-21

Act of Praise

Now Proclaim Messiah's Birth

Rezound!

Message

What do you fear? When We're Running Out of Hope, God Is at Work

Affirmation of Faith

THANKSGIVING

Centering Our Hearts in Prayer

Call to Prayer

Show Up

Call to Confession | Prayer of Confession | Words of Forgiveness

Prayers of the People | The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

Celebrating Generosity

One of the ways we give thanks to God at Avondale UMC is by meeting God's generosity with our own. The Connection Card in the bulletin is a tool for offering to God our acts of discipleship throughout the previous week. It's also a place to share with the pastor any prayer

requests. As the offering plate comes your way, we encourage you to connect with your nearest neighbors.

Musical Offering	Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence	Rezound!
* Doxology	In the Bleak Midwinter	UMH 221 (v. 4)
* Prayer of Dedication		

SENDING

Next Steps

These upcoming opportunities are a chance to take next steps in our faith, growing deeper in God, and carrying this week's message into the world. Be sure to mark your calendars and invite others to join us.

* The Story in Song	Looking Out a Prison Window
* Blessing	
Parting Music	Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Pastor: Rev. Rebecca Dunger Peak	Ministers: The People
Music Director: Kevin Hershberger	Worship Leader: Kristy Schmitz
Guest Musician: Rezound! Handbell Ensemble	Tech Team: Mike Slavik & Brent Henry
Candle Lighters: Our Youth	



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As United Methodists, we believe in open hearts, open minds, and open doors. The congregation of Avondale United Methodist Church in Kansas City, Missouri, is open to all of God's children. We welcome, include, fully affirm, and celebrate the lives of all people. People of all physical and mental ability, race, ethnicity, age, gender, gender identity, gender expressions, family structure, marital status, socio-economic class, faith history, and sexual orientation are welcome, affirmed, and loved here. We believe that all individuals are created by love in God's image. As a Reconciling Ministry Church, we strive to create a safe space and a community that enriches the life of each person. We embrace our diversity and invite all to be a vital part of our church family and ministry.

~ Adopted November 2019

