



### GATHERING

Gathering Music

*Arise Shine*

Gathering

\* Gathering the Advent Light

\* Song of Faith

*God Almighty, We Are Waiting*

### ENGAGING

The Brown Bag Mystery Tour

R<sup>2</sup> & 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

Luke 1:26-39 | Jeremiah 1:4-10

Act of Praise

*Believe*

Michael Scahill

Message

*What do you fear? XXX*

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	Christmas Lullaby	Courtney Scahill
* 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	O Come, Take Heart
* Blessing	
Parting Music	Emmanuel

## WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Pastor: Rev. Rebecca Dunger Peak	Ministers: The People
Music Director: Kevin Hershberger	Worship Leader: Linda Klemp
Guest Musicians: Michael Scahill & Courtney Scahill	
Tech Team: Jason Wimberley & Stephanie Johnson	Candle Lighters: Our Youth



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**A**s 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

