



AVONDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH | 12.28.25

GATHERING

Gathering Music

Joy

Val Fagan, guitar & vocal

Gathering

* Gathering the Advent Light

* Song of Faith

Angels We Have Heard on High

UMH 238

ENGAGING

The Brown Bag Mystery Tour

Suzy & 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 2:13-15, 19-23

The Story in Song

Let the Fires of Justice Grow

Message

What do you fear?

Suzanne Conaway

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	Hark!	Val Fagan, guitar & vocal
* Doxology	<i>In the Bleak Midwinter</i>	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.

* Song of Faith	<i>Go, Tell It on the Mountain</i>	UMH 251
* Blessing		
Parting Music		<i>Go, Tell It on the Mountain</i>

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Pastor: Rev. Rebecca Dunger Peak

Ministers: The People

Music Director: Kevin Hershberger

Guest Speaker: Suzanne Conaway

Guest Musician: Val Fagan, guitar & vocals

Worship Leader: Johannah DeSchepper

Tech Team: Jason Wimberley & Jill Wimberley

Candle Lighters: Our Youth

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To connect with us on Slack for general church chats and/or the Prayer Chain, send a request to Brent at avondaleumctech@gmail.com



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

