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MISSION STATEMENT

Gibsonville United Methodist Church exists to **WELCOME** people to faith in Jesus Christ, **EQUIP** us with a faith that helps us grow as disciples, and **SEND** us into the world to serve and to make a difference for Jesus' sake.

December 2, 2018
First Sunday of Advent

ENTRANCE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Barry Lemons

Please sign the attendance pad as it is passed to you, including your address. If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer card located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Remember to pick up your name tag which is located on the right side of the Narthex as you enter the front door.

INTROIT

“Savior Of The Nations, Come”

Light of Christ Leads Us Into Worship

Acolyte

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Pastor Barry & Donna Lemons

*HYMN OF PRAISE

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

(Stanzas 1 – 4)

#211

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

CHILDREN’S TIME

(The children may attend Children’s Church following Children’s Time. They will return to receive communion).

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SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 21:25-36

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Be On Guard

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CONCERNS AND PRAYERS

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*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

Let us be the Peace of Christ for each other

*CONGREGATIONAL REPOSE "I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light" #206
(Stanza 1)

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY "Do You Hear What I Hear?" Arranged by Harry Simeone

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*
(To the Tune of "What Child Is This" with no refrain)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING FOR ADVENT

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

**Holy One, you have promised us
that the day of our salvation is near.
Keep us faithful in love and watchful in prayer,
so that we may stand with confidence and joy
at the coming of Christ, our Redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN "Rejoice, The Lord Is King" #715

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*The Light of Christ Leads Us Into the World

Acolyte

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand in praise of God as you are able.

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