



December Theme: Hope
Finding the Heartbeat of Hope

Sunday, December 4, 2011, 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

*If you have with you a small object that represents Love,
 please place it on the altar to Love in the center of the labyrinth.*

Music for Gathering *Dianne Saichek, piano*

Welcome and Announcements *Luther Jackson*

Lighting the Advent Candle *Angie, John, and Joshua Kirk*
(Please see insert for the Advent Responsive Reading.)

*Singing # 246 O Little Town of Bethlehem

Call to Worship *Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones*

Lighting the Chalice *Sarah Nell Isola and Andy Castro Young*

***AFFIRMATION/AFIRMACION**

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| Love is the doctrine of this church, | <i>El amor es la doctrina de esta iglesia,</i> |
| The quest of truth is its sacrament, | <i>La búsqueda de la verdad es su sacramento,</i> |
| And service is its prayer. | <i>Y el servicio es su oración.</i> |
| To dwell together in peace | <i>Habitar juntos en paz</i> |
| To seek the truth in freedom | <i>Buscar la verdad con libertad</i> |
| To serve humankind in fellowship | <i>Y servir a la humanidad juntos</i> |
| To the end that all souls may grow | <i>Con el fin de que todas las almas</i> |
| Into harmony with the divine, | <i>Puedan crecer en armonía con lo divino;</i> |

Story for All Ages *Hunwick's Egg, Rev. Geoff Rimositis*
 by Mem Fox, illustrated by Pamela Lofts

Singing the Children and Youth to Their Classes

*Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the Spirit of God surround you
 everywhere, everywhere you may go. Vayan en paz, vayan en paz, pueda el
 Dios rodearlos siempre, por doquier, por doquier, que vayan.*

Reflection *Cultivating Hope*
Mary Martin, Worship Associate

*Singing # 346 Come, Sing a Song with Me

Sermon *The Heartbeat of Hope:
 Love Always Wins ... Really?*
Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones

Shared Reading # 470 Affirmation, by Leonard Mason

Offering Our Gifts *Dianne Saichek, piano*

Joys and Sorrows

*Singing

*Benediction *Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones*

*Following the service, please join us for Social Hour in Hattie Porter Hall!!
 Please see the Announcements insert
 for all who helped bring this service to life.*

