

December 4, 2022



**Lenexa United  
Methodist Church**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done  
on Earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil,  
for Thine is the kingdom,  
and the power,  
and the glory forever.*

**Amen.**

## COMMUNITY PRAYER

*Merciful God,  
who sent your messengers  
the prophets to preach repentance  
and prepare the way for our salvation,  
give us grace to heed their warnings  
and forsake our sins,  
that we may greet with joy the coming  
of Jesus Christ our Redeemer,  
who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and forever.*

**Amen.**

## CALL TO WORSHIP

### **Zechariah's Prayer (Luke 1:67-79)**

One: His father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied.

**All: *Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel.***

One: He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David.

**All: *We have salvation from our enemies  
and from the hand of all who hate us.***

One: And you, my child, will be called a prophet of the Most High,

**All: *For you will go on before the Lord  
to prepare the way for him;***

One: To give his people the knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins,

**All: *Because of the tender mercy of our God.***

One: The rising sun will come to us from heaven to shine on those living in darkness,

**All: *And in the shadow of death,  
to guide our feet into the path of peace.***

One: Last Sunday, we lit the candle of HOPE, and today we light this candle as a symbol of peace. May the Word sent from God through the prophets lead us to the way of salvation.

**All: *O come, O come, Emmanuel.***