



# Kuna United Methodist Church

*Living Hope*

3rd Sunday of Advent:  
December 10th, 2023

Please share your **prayer requests** using the cards in the pews.  
Put the card in the prayer card box in the back.  
Your prayers will be included at our Wednesday prayer meeting,  
but not on our email prayer list, unless you specify.

## **CONNECT WITH US**

Our worship is richer because you are here. **Praise God!**  
If you are new, thank you for testing our welcome!

Please contact Pastor Mia ([PastorMia20@gmail.com](mailto:PastorMia20@gmail.com))  
to introduce yourself and to get to know us better.

### **Our Servant Leaders**

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P = Pastor L = Leader

**C = Congregation**

Please join in bolded sections

## WELCOME

## GATHERING

*Please rise as you are able*

### GATHERING HYMN:

**What Child is This**

**Hymnal 219**

*Please be seated*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

L: This is the day the Lord has made,  
so we gather to praise.

**C: Loving One, strengthen us and  
steady us.**

L: This is the day the Lord has made,  
so we gather to pray.

**C: Living One, say to the fearful parts  
of us, "Here I am."**

L: This is the day the Lord has made,  
so we gather to sing.

**C: Everlasting One, open our hearts,  
quench our thirst, and let us  
blossom.**

L: Lord, thank you for surprising us  
with your joy! In the middle of our  
day-to-day chaos your care and  
grace find us just when we need  
it. Transform us with your love, so  
that we can work on building your  
kingdom with all we have and all  
we are.

**C: Amen.**

## PROCLAMATION

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 35:1-10**

**SERMON: Pastor Mia Crosthwaite**

*Please rise as you are able*

**HYMN: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee**

**Hymnal 89**

*Please be seated*

### JOYS & CONCERNS

### OFFERING

*At this time, we worship the Lord  
through giving. You may bring your  
offering up to the offering box or make  
an online offering at [KunaUMC.org](http://KunaUMC.org). This  
is also a time to reflect on the offering  
of your very self to God. "I appeal to  
you, brothers and sisters, by the mer-  
cies of God, to present yourselves as a  
living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to  
God, which is your spiritual worship."  
Romans 12:1*

### SPECIAL MUSIC

**"He is Born"**

**Kuna UMC Choir**

## THANKSGIVING & RESPONSE

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord  
our God

**C: It is right to give our thanks  
and praise.**

P: It is right, and a good and joyful  
thing...Through your Son Jesus  
Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your  
holy Church, all honor and glory is  
yours, almighty God, now and  
forever.

**C: Amen.**

### 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.**

## SENDING

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please rise as you are able*

**SENDING HYMN:**

**Joy to the World**

**Hymnal 246**

### BLESSING

## UPCOMING AT KUNA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### PRAYER MEETING

Wednesdays, @ 6 p.m.

### CHOIR PRACTICE

Wednesdays, @ 7 p.m.

### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays, @ 10 a.m.

@ the church

### MESSY CHURCH

December 17, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

December 24th

@ 4 p.m. & 11 p.m.

### PROUD TO HOST:

Kuna Community Food Bank  
Narcotics Anonymous group  
Alcoholics Anonymous group  
Girl Scout Troop  
Kuna Mom Squad  
Multi-church Men's Bible Study  
CATCH family transitioning  
out of homelessness at  
church-owned house