

Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion Worship Service

Sunday, December 24, 2023

5:00 PM

*We invite you to pick up a candle on your way into the sanctuary this evening.
Battery operated candles are available for children 10 & under.*

Hearing impaired? Pick up a remote hearing assistance receiver from the sound booth.

* indicates those who are able, please stand.
Bold print indicates congregational participation

Entrance

*(As the altar and Advent candles are lit, this is a time for personal prayer
and meditation as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship.)*

Welcome Rev. Barry Taylor

Prelude Dee Dee Dillard

Lighting of the Advent Candles

On this night, Christ is born!
Now the Savior has appeared!
On this night, the heavenly chorus resounds!

***Call to Worship** **All creation rejoices!** Nate Lewis
On this night, the church throughout the world joins their
praise:

Glory to God in the highest! Alleluia!

***Congregational Song** *O Come, All Ye Faithful (vs. 1, 3, & 6)* **UMH #234**

***Prayer of Illumination** Owen Davis

Special Music *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* Anna Brooks

Scripture Lesson Luke 2:1-7 Ethan Harden

Congregational Song *Away In a Manger* **UMH #217**

Scripture Lesson Luke 2:8-14 Hallie Holt

Special Music Anna Brooks

Congregational Song *Hark, the Herald Angels Sing* **UMH #240**

Scripture Lesson Luke 2:15-20 Rev. Barry Taylor

Meditation *Glories of Righteousness...Wonders of Love* Rev. Barry Taylor

Special Music *Peace* Anna Brooks
by Bethel Music and We the Kingdom

Thanksgiving and Communion

The Great Thanksgiving **on screen**

Receiving the Bread and Cup

Lighting the Christ Candle Congregational Candlelighting

***Congregational Hymn** *Silent Night, Holy Night* **printed on back**

During this carol we will pass the light of Christ while singing.
Ushers will come down the center aisle with the flame. The lit candle stays upright.

Christ the Savior is born.
Dismissal with Blessing Go and spread the good news everywhere! Rev. Barry Taylor
Thanks be to God.

Postlude Dee Dee Dillard

*Welcome one and all as we share the joy of this holy season!
May your Christmas be blessed with the presence and peace of Christ.*

Merry Christmas!

Silent Night, Holy Night

Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child, holy infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night, shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing Alleluia
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face with the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus, Lord at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth

Silent night, holy night, wondrous star, lend thy light
With the angels let us sing Alleluia to our King
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born

Join us on Sundays in 2024 for worship services:

9:00 am Contemporary Worship

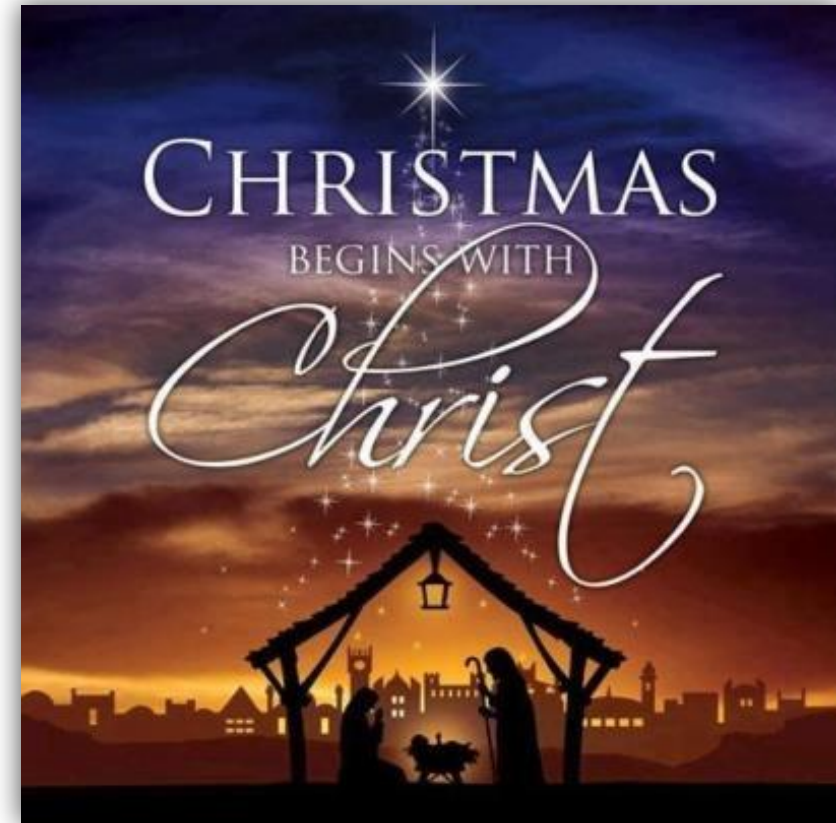
(Please note that we will not have 9:00am worship on Sunday, December 31.)

11:00 am Traditional Worship

Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 am.

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