



WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



CANDLELIGHTING SERVICE
DECEMBER 15, 2024
FIVE-THIRTY IN THE EVENING

PRELUDE

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.....Veni Emmanuel arr. McChesney
 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice In Dulci Jubilo arr. McChesney
 Carol of the Bells..... Ukrainian Bell Carol arr. Groth and McChesney
Youth Bell Ringers

The Holly and the IvyTraditional, arr. Stephenson
 In the Bleak Midwinter..... Holst arr. Buckwalter
 Ding Dong, Merrily on HighTraditional arr. Gramann
Joy Ringers

Welcome.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Processional Hymn: Once in Royal David’s City..... Irby
Stanza 1: Patricia Cullum
Stanza 2: Chamber Choir
Stanzas 3-6: Congregation and Choir

SOPRANO
ALTO

1. Once in roy-al Da-vid’s ci - ty Stood a low-ly cat-tle shed,
 Where a mo-ther laid her ba-by In a man-ger for his bed:
 2. He came down to earth from hea-ven Who is God and Lord of all,
 And his shel-ter was a sta-ble, And his cra-dle was a stall;

TENOR
BASS

Ma-ry was that mo-ther mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.
 With the poor and mean and low-ly Lived on earth our Sa-viour ho - ly.

† Processional Hymn: Once in Royal David’s City, *cont.*
**And through all his wondrous childhood
 he would honour and obey,
 love and watch the lowly maiden,
 in whose gentle arms he lay:
 Christian children all must be
 mild, obedient, good as he.**

**For he is our childhood’s pattern,
 day by day like us he grew,
 he was little, weak, and helpless
 tears and smiles like us he knew:
 and he feeleth for our sadness,
 and he shareth in our gladness.**

**And our eyes at last shall see him,
 through his own redeeming love,
 for that child so dear and gentle
 is our Lord in heaven above;
 and he leads his children on
 to the place where he is gone.**

**Not in that poor lowly stable,
 with the oxen standing by,
 we shall see him: but in heaven,
 set at God’s right hand on high;
 where like stars his children crowned
 all in white shall wait around.**

Bidding Prayer Will McLeane

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.**

Chorale: Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light..... J. S. Bach
Kyle Collier, tenor
Emma Jackson, soprano
Sanctuary and Chancel Choirs

Prophecy: "The people who walked in darkness"Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7
Maggie Jarrell

Hymn: O Come, O Come, EmmanuelVeni Emmanuel
**O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lowly exile here
until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!**
**O come, Desire of nations, bind
all peoples in one heart and mind;
Bid envy, strife, and quarrels cease;
fill the whole world with heaven's
peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!**

Carol: What Star is This..... Michael Beford
Youth Vocal Ensemble

Annunciation: "And he came to her and said"Luke 1:28-33
Brent Clark, Chair of Ministry Table

Carol: A Star, a Stable..... Walter Wittel
Genesis Choir

Birth: "In those days a decree went out" Luke 2:1, 3-7
Stacey Harwell-Dye

Hymn: O Little Town of BethlehemSt. Louis
**O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by;
yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting light;
the hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.**
**For Christ is born of Mary,
and gathered all above,
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars together,
proclaim the holy birth,
and praises sing to God the King,
and peace to all on earth!**

Carol: Such a Very Bright Star..... Robert Leaf
Asbury Choir

Angels: "Then an angel of the Lord stood before them" Luke 2:9-14
Emily Robbins

Hymn: Angels from the Realms of Glory Regent Square
**Angels from the realms of glory,
wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story
now proclaim Messiah's birth:
Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn King.**

**Saints, before the altar bending,
watching long in hope and fear;
Suddenly the Lord, descending,
in his temple shall appear:
Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn King.**

Carol: Long, Long Ago Gary Alan Smith
Chapel Choir

Carol: There is No Rose of Such Virtue..... Robert H. Young
Sanctuary Choir

Shepherds: "In that region there were shepherds living in the fields" Luke 2:8, 15-16
Shannon Baxter

† Hymn: God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen God Rest You Merry
**God rest you merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay,
For Jesus Christ our Savior was born upon this day.
To save us all from Satan's pow'r when we were gone astray;
O tidings of comfort and joy.**

**From God our heav'nly Father a blessed angel came,
And unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same,
How that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by name;
O tidings of comfort and joy.**

**The shepherds at those tidings rejoiced much in mind,
And left their flocks a-feeding, in tempest, storm and wind,
And went to Bethlehem straightway this blessed babe to find:
O tidings of comfort and joy.**

† Hymn: God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen, *cont.*

**But when to Bethlehem they came, where at this infant lay,
They found him in a manger, where oxen feed on hay;
His mother Mary kneeling, unto the Lord did pray:
O tidings of comfort and joy.**

**Now to the Lord sing praises, all you within this place,
And with true love and brotherhood each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas all others doth deface:
O tidings of comfort and joy.**

Carol: The Shepherds Carol.....Bob Chilcott
Chancel Choir

Kings: “When they had heard the king, they set out”Matthew 2:9-11
Rea Green

Hymn: We Three Kings Kings of Orient

**We three kings of Orient are;
bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star.
O, star of wonder, star of light,
star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to thy perfect light.**

Carol: The Snow Lay on the Ground Leo Sowerby
Chancel and Sanctuary Choirs

Prologue: In the beginning was the Word.....John 1:1-18
Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Hymn: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing Mendelssohn

**Hark! the herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King;
peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!”
Joyful all ye nations rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with th’angelic host proclaim,
“Christ is born in Bethlehem!”
Hark! the herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”**

† Hymn: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, *cont.*

**Christ by highest heav’n adored:
Christ, the everlasting Lord;
late in time behold him come,
offspring of a virgin’s womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail th’incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, Our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”**

**Hail the heav’n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
ris’n with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”**

The Lighting of the Candles

*The pastor will light a candle from the Advent wreath
and then light the candles of the candlelighters.
They will light the candles of those nearest the center aisle.
Tip the unlit candle when lighting your candle.
After all candles are lighted, the congregation and choirs will sing:*

Hymn: Silent Night, Holy Night..... Stille Nacht

**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!**

Hymn: Silent Night, Holy Night, *cont.*

**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.**

Recessional Carols:

- No. 217: Away in a MangerAway in a Manger
- No. 218: It Came upon the Midnight Clear Carol
- No. 219: What Child Is This.....Greensleeves
- No. 229: Infant Holy, Infant Lowly W Zlobie Lezy
- No. 237: Sing We Now of Christmas French Carol
- No. 245: The First Noel.....The First Noel
- No. 246: Joy to the World..... Antioch

† *The congregation is invited to rise in body or in spirit.*

ADVENT WORSHIP SERVICES

- Service of the Longest NightDecember 18, 6 pm
- Advent Worship Service December 22, 8:45 and 11 am
- Child-Led Christmas Eve Service..... December 24, 3 pm
- Christmas Eve Communion Service..... December 24, 5 pm
- Candlelight Christmas Eve Communion Service..... December 24, 10 pm

YOUTH BELL RINGERS

Andie Smith, Director

- Harper Barnes
- Ella Gambill
- Maggie Harrell
- Aidan Harris
- Connor Harris
- Harrison Wilson
- Sam Wilson

JOY RINGERS

Matthew Phelps, Director

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| Emily Kimball | Peg Wertz |
| Miranda Vargo | Genie Whitesell |
| Nico Zavala | Tyler Bowman |
| Andie Smith | Jason Limbaugh |
| Emily Anderson | J. L. Nave |
| Melissa Robertson | John Wiseman |
| Jan Morrison | Mark Buchanan |

SANCTUARY CHOIR

Andrew Risinger, Director

- | Soprano | Alto | Tenor | Bass |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Patricia Cullum | Clare Bratten | Kyle Collier | Robb Bigelow |
| Rebecca Frame-Collier | Bevin Gregory | Matthew Phelps | Doug Brown |
| Laura Gray | Emily McCord | Scott Wolfe | Evan Burton |
| Christy Hathcock | Lee Warren | Nico Zavala | Sean Jernigan |
| Emma Jackson | Bethany Wilson | | Pierce O’Brien |
| Lucy Majors | | | Keith Ramsey |
| | | | Casey Reed |

CHANCEL CHOIR
Matthew Phelps, Director

Soprano
Bethany DiSantis
Lee Fentriss
Carla Swank-Fox
Kimberly Pace Furse
Emma Jackson
Aria McDaniel
Jan Morrison
Kim Patterson
Ella Peacock
Kristen Pennington
Melissa Robertson
Carole Symonette

Alto
Merri Collins
Daniella Diano
Nicole Hanneman
Susan Harrell
Becky Heywood
Chase Jeffords
Caroline Peacock
Colleen Wheelahan
Carol Poston
Theresa Santillan
Andie Smith
Carol Stewart
Ellen Ward
Maggie Ward
Peg Werts
Jonna Whitman

Tenor
Doug Arnold
Scott Brons
Mark Buchanan
Chase Lowery
Andrew Lynn
Brian Payne
Clark Perkins
Andrew Risinger
Wayne Underhill
Miranda Vargo
Day Werts
John Wiseman

Bass

Tyler Bowman	Chris Muller
Noah Chamberlain	J. L. Nave
Cameron Culver	Ken Nelson
Rob Hancock	Chris Peacock
Steve Hyman	Leon Rader
Neil Lambert	Ted Wiltsie
Jason Limbaugh	Gabriel Zurek

YOUTH VOCAL ENSEMBLE

Matthew Phelps, Director
Bethany DiSantis, Assistant Director

Lucy Garrison	Ella Peacock
Emerson Baxter	Isabel Baxter
Maggie Weiss	Will Duncan
Noah Phelps	Savannah Bakker

GENESIS CHOIR
Pam Rice, Susy Gillette
Ella Peacock, Jess Lawson-Adams

Archie Adams
Jolene Adams
Eloise Dabbs
George Dabbs
Grace Darby
Jeanne Darby
Dax Darling
Duke Deitmen
Patrick Egan
Eleanor Fox
James Hardisty
Clay Malloy
Madi Marsh
Merritt McAnally
Emily McLeane
Leo Mueller-Evans
Hunter Perdue
Liam Parker
Myra Prest
Virginia Schneeweiss
Teddy Walker

ASBURY CHOIR
Bethany DiSantis, Andrew Risinger
Nico Zavala, Maggie Harrell

Leo Anderson
Louise Brooks
CJ Deitman
Bingham England
Birdie England
Louis Galletti
Martha Galletti
Dewitt Goldsby
Piper Hardisty
Charlotte Malloy
Annie McLeane
Clara Mueller-Evans
Penelope Page
Avery Smith
Grace Smith-Tyge
Maggie Walker

CHAPEL CHOIR
Emma Jackson, Carla Fox
Daniela Diano

Henry Anderson
Clara Coldiron
Hazel Coldiron
Madeline Duncan

Will Howerton
Anna Rhoden
Caroline Rhoden
Emma Smith

Welcome to West End United Methodist Church!

We seek to be the loving light of Christ in Nashville and beyond.

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us for our annual Candlelighting Service. We would love to know you are here. Please scan this QR code and register your attendance with us.

You will also find a link that will allow you to give to our December Communion Offering that benefits our Pastor's Discretionary Fund or our Advent Offering that benefits the Lunches for Hope Program in the Dassa-Zoume region of Benin, Africa.



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