

Christmas Eve Worship

Trinity United Methodist Church

December 24, 2020 | 7:00pm.

Prelude "Sing We Now of Christmas" Diane Bish

Toccatina on "Angels We Have Heard on High" Richard Elliot Viktor Billa, Organ

"What Child is This?" Greensleeves

Ansley and Kinley Corrigan, Piano duet

"Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella" C. Davis
String Quartet

Lighting of the Christ CandleThe Johnson Family (Jessica, JR. Emily, and Lily)

Introit"Angels We Have Heard on High"
Children's Choirs

Call to Worship Abbie Rose Shiver

Do you see the star?

We see the star

Do you hear the child's cry?

Yes, we hear Jesus, the Savior of the world

For unto you is born in the city of David

A Savior which is Christ the Lord

Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. And His name shall be called:

Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, the Prince of

Peace In these times of darkness and doubt let us worship the Light of the World

*Carol "O Come, All Ye Faithful" #234 Hymnal

(verses 1, 3, and 6)

The Prophecy Isaiah 11 (NIV) Sally Huggins

Isaiah 11:1 A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

- 11:2 The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
- 11:6 The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. 11:7 The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
- 11:9 They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.
- 11:10 On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

About that time Caesar Augustus ordered a census to be taken throughout the Empire. This was the first census when Quirinius was governor of Syria. Everyone had to travel to his own ancestral hometown to be accounted for. So Joseph went from the Galilean town of Nazareth up to Bethlehem in Judah, David's town, for the census. As a descendant of David, he had to go there. He went with Mary, his fiancée, who was pregnant.

While they were there, the time came for her to give birth. She gave birth to a son, her firstborn. She wrapped him in a blanket and laid him in a manger, because there was no room in the hostel.

Special Music "Breath of Heaven"

Lisa Prasse, soloist

Pastoral Prayer & 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 glory, forever. Amen.

*Carol "Away in a Manger" #217 Hymnal

The Angels Luke 2: 8-14 (The Message) Cole Annin

There were sheepherders camping in the neighborhood. They had set night watches over their sheep. Suddenly, God's angel stood among them and God's glory blazed around them. They were terrified. The angel said, "Don't be afraid. I'm here to announce a great and joyful event that is meant for everybody, worldwide: A Savior has just been born in David's town, a Savior who is Messiah and Master. This is what you're to look for: a baby wrapped in a blanket and lying in a manger."

At once the angel was joined by a huge angelic choir singing God's praises:

Glory to God in the heavenly heights,

Peace to all men and women on earth who please him.

Special Music "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" D. Forrest

Chancel Choir

The Shepherds Luke 2: 15-20 (The Message) Chase Duclos

As the angel choir withdrew into heaven, the sheepherders talked it over. "Let's get over to Bethlehem as fast as we can and see for ourselves what God has revealed to us." They left, running, and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger. Seeing was believing. They told everyone they met what the angels had said about this child. All who heard the sheepherders were impressed.

Mary kept all these things to herself, holding them dear, deep within herself. The sheepherders returned and let loose, glorifying and praising God for everything they had heard and seen. It turned out exactly the way they'd been told!

Special Music "Rise Up, Shepherd and Follow" L. Shackley

Chris Titko, piano

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi^[a] from the east came to Jerusalem² and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

Special Music "Gaelic Carol" First Noel

Trinity Ringers

Sermon A Joyous Miracle! Rev. Dr. Wayne Wiatt

Solo "All is Well" M.W. Smith

Chris Titko, soloist

*Carol "Silent Night" #239 Hymnal

Benediction

Postlude Toccata on "Adeste Fideles" John F. Wade

Viktor Billa, organ

*please stand if able



³ When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. ⁴ When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written:

⁶ "'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.' [b]"

⁷ Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. ⁸ He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem. Come and behold him, born the King of angels

Refrain O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation; O son, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory to God, all glory in the highest;

Refrain

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning, Jesus, to thee be all glory given. Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:

Refrain

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

Refrain Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, thou Wisdom from on high, and order all things far and nigh; to us the path of knowledge show and cause us in her ways to go.

Refrain

O come, thou Root of Jesse's tree, an ensign of thy people be; before thee rulers silent fall; all peoples on thy mercy call.

Refrain

O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by thy justice here; disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and deaths dark shadows put to flight

AWAY IN A MANGER

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes; I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay close by me forever, and love me, I pray; bless all the dear children in thy tender care, and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

SILENT 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!

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!

Christmas Offering

Our Christmas Offering this year will benefit the Florida UMC Children's home. If you would like to contribute, please mark "Christmas Offering" in the memo line of your check and mail it into our office:

P.O. Box 1086

Tallahassee, FL 32302.

You can also give online at www.tumct.org/give.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

ALTAR WREATHS

To honor the memory of Tommy Ray Dorcz from his wife, Phyllis Dorcz.

POINSETTIAS

In honor of the Altar Guild Christmas Committee from Pat Winchester.

In honor of Scott and Megan from Julie Sherman.

In honor of Beth, Margaret, Emma, and John from Julie Sherman.

In honor of Mary and Archie Page from Ann and Henry Hanson.

In honor of Henry, Sr. and Juanita Hanson from Ann and Henry Hanson.

In honor of Janice Hays, Sandy Skidell, and Beverly Walker from Jayne Mittan.

In honor of John B. Mowell from Sarah Mowell.

In honor of Vivian R. Bevis Smelley from Steve and Diane Jacobs.

In honor of Cathy, Drew, Bryce, and Bret Jolly from Bill and Germain Fritchman.

In honor of their grandchildren, Duncan III, Virginia, Margaret, Jane, Lewis, Carling, Sutton, and Hooper from Mary Ann and Duncan Moore.

In honor of Mart Hill from Almena and Brooks Pettit.

In honor of Beth Curry from the BFC Program.

In honor of her husband of 52 years, Dean Merlau from Sheila Merlau.

In memory of Louis Hill, Sr. from Almena and Brooks Pettit.

In memory of her brother, William H. Lozier from Mary Ann and Duncan Moore.

In memory of Bill and Mary Standley and Harold and Catherine Fritchman from Bill and Germain Fritchman.

In memory of William Bradley Bevis from Steve and Diane Jacobs.

In memory of Sara Sandra Mowell from Sarah Mowell.

In memory of Byard Mowell from Sarah Mowell.

In memory of Lilly Pearl Moore from Sarah Mowell.

In memory of John and Frances Handley, Oberly Brown, and Barry Mittan from Jayne Mittan.

In memory of Nancy Petrandis from the Petrandis and Poole families.

In memory of Frances, Steamboat and Lee Williams from Leslie, Palmer, Cameron and Fran Williams.

In memory of Jeanne, Steve, and Stephen Schmidt from Leslie, Palmer, Cameron and Fran Williams.

In memory of her parents, Earl and Bernice M. Welch from Earline and Larry Adkison and family.

In memory of June Dugger from Rod Dugger, Dawn Long and April Penton.

In memory of Bill Dugger from Rod Dugger, Dawn Long and April Penton.

In memory of Ric Dugger from Rod Dugger, Dawn Long and April Penton.

In memory of Joe and Jackie Long from Rod Dugger, Dawn Long and April Penton.

In memory of Clara Byrd White from Renee White.

In memory of N.E. "Ed" Fenn from the Fenn daughters and their families.

In memory of Delano D. Fenn from the Fenn daughters and their families.

In memory of Hollie Skelton Sanders from the Sanders family.

In memory of Sylvia and Ernie Sanders from the Sanders family.

In memory of Max Dunlap from the Sanders family.

In memory of Karl and Helen Oakley and Dorothy Fitzpatrick from Jim and Patti Oakley.

In memory of our parents Dr. Albert and Mary Carol Bevis Folds from Dr. and Mrs. Wayne D. Wiatt.

In memory of our parents Stephen Knight and Sue Boswell Wiatt from Dr. and Mrs. Wayne D. Wiatt.

In memory of our mother Mary Mullikin from Sam and Nancy Waddill and family.

In memory of our mother Betty Waddill from Sam and Nancy Waddill and family.

In memory of Albert Ferkany from the BFC Program.

In memory of Jimmie Hinkle from Jeanie Hinkle.

In memory of John Lucas from Jeanie Hinkle.

In memory of Mr. and Mrs. G.B. Work and Mr. G.B. Work, Jr. from Rhonda Work.

In memory of Joseph and Delphia Boucher from Sandra Boucher Frazier.

In memory of Robert Boucher from Sandra Boucher Frazier.

In memory of Russell Frazier from Sandra Boucher Frazier.

In memory of William T. "Bill" Smith from Cynthia, Jimmy, Michelle, Taylor, and Jackson.







The Poinsettias in the Sewell Memorial Prayer Garden are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John T. Sewell and Nelle Sewell from their son, John T. Sewell, Jr.



WREATHS AND POINSETTIAS CHRISTMAS 2020