



# *Family Christmas Service*

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, OAK RIDGE**

December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 4:00p.m.

## **PRELUDE**

Noël Huron

Chorale Prelude on 'Quem Pastores'

arr. by: Denis Bédard

by: Helmut Walcha

## **WELCOME**

†**PROCESSIONAL HYMN, NO. 234** "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 Sing, 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*

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice! I bring good news for all people.  
Unto us a child is born. Alleluia!  
Tonight the angels sing on earth.  
Glory to God in the highest!

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH AND THE CHRIST CANDLE

CONGREGATION'S RESPONSE TO WREATH LIGHTING

Emmanuel, God of hope, love, peace, and joy, come make a home in our hearts.

*Children's Christmas Pageant*

CAROL, NO. 238 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

Angels we have heard on high sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
and the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains. *Refrain*

*Refrain:*

Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Come to Bethlehem and see Christ whose birth the angels sing;  
come, adore on bended knee, Christ the Lord, the newborn King. *Refrain*

CAROL, NO. 217 "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 you, Lord Jesus: look down from the sky  
and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask you 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.

**CAROL, NO. 230** “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

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.

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;  
cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us,  
our Lord Emmanuel!

**CAROL, NO. 254** “We Three Kings”

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,  
west-ward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

**CAROL, NO. 246** “Joy to the World”

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;  
let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven  
and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the  
glories of his righteousness, and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

#### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

##### **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.

##### **RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP**

All are invited to come at the direction of the ushers to receive the communion  
elements by dipping the bread into the cup.

##### **CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have  
given yourself to us. Tonight we remember and celebrate your coming into  
the world, to bring light to our darkness. We thank you that the time of  
waiting and preparing is over and we rejoice that the light of Christ shines  
so very clearly tonight. Grant that we may go into the world led by this light

so that, in the strength of your Spirit, we may give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*As the lights are dimmed, the pastors will light the ushers' candles. Ushers will then light the candles of those nearest the aisle in each row. Each person will share the light with the next person until all candles have been lighted.*

*Please tilt your unlighted candle toward the lighted candle, and hold your lighted candle straight up so others may tilt theirs to be lighted.*

*After singing "Silent Night" and receiving the benediction please extinguish your candle and place it in one of the baskets in the narthex as you leave.*

†CANDLELIGHT CAROL, NO. 239 "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.**

†BENEDICTION

### Worship Leaders

The Rev. Mark Flynn, *Lead Pastor*  
The Rev. Jenny Caughman, *Spiritual Care Pastor*  
The Rev. Seth O'Kegley-Gibson, *Pastor of Music & Worship*  
Josh Sumter, *Organist & Music Associate*  
Shelby Fowler, *Director of Children and Family Ministries*  
Pageant: The Children of FUMC

### Sunday, December 26

11:15 am Combined Worship Service, Sanctuary

### Regular Sunday Morning Worship (beginning January 2nd)

8:45 am	Traditional Worship Service in the Sanctuary
10:00 am	Sunday School for all ages
11:00 am	Traditional Worship Service in the Sanctuary
11:00 am	Contemporary Service in the Multipurpose Room

*Childcare is provided for all services.*

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