## December 24, 2021 7:00pm

Welcome to this celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ!

PRELUDE MUSIC **Shelby Fisher, Organist** WELCOME Rev. Russell Butler **CALL TO WORSHIP (Please Stand As You Are Able)** One: O Come. Emmanuel, into our midst and into our hearts. All: We come to the stable to witness the birth of the child. One: O Come, Emmanuel, and bless us with your gift of love and life. All: We come, filled with hope for a world transformed by the life of this child. One: O Come, Emmanuel, be present with us in this time and place. CAROL OF CELEBRATION O Come, All Ye Faithful #234, vs. 1 & 3 LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE Star Child #2095, vs. 1 & 5 SPECIAL MUSIC For to Us a Child Is Born by John Purifov Chancel Choir, dir. Logan Bingham PASTORAL PRAYER **CAROL** It Came Upon the Midnight Clear #218, vs. 1,3,4 **OFFERING** OFFERTORY MUSIC That Christmas Night arr. Kevin McChesney apPRAISEation, dir. Terry Waite **OFFERING PRAYER** THE CHRISTMAS STORY Luke 2:1-7 CAROL Away in a Manger #217 THE CHRISTMAS STORY Luke 2:8-14

What Child Is This

#219, vs. 1,2

CAROL

THE CHRISTMAS STORY

Luke 2:15-20

SPECIAL MUSIC Ding, Dong Merrily on High arr. Barbara Kinyon apPRAISEation and Chancel Choir, dir. Logan Bingham

CAROL Joy to the World #246, vs. 1, 2 & 4

**READING** Christmas Returns Howard Thurman

SPECIAL MUSIC Jesus, Jesus Rest Your Head, arr. G Schroth Chancel Choir, dir. Logan Bingham

**CELEBRATING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST** 

CAROL Silent Night #239

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

BENEDICTION

MUSIC TO SEND US OUT

Bring a Torch Jeanette Isabella, arr. Denis Bedard

Please place extinguished candles in the boxes provided at the door.

Thank you.

## **GIVING OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

**To Give by Text** send dollar amount to 801-317-8833. **Online Giving** use the QR code to the right

<u>Tonight's offering</u> will support the many programs and outreach ministries of Christ United Methodist Church, including ministry with Children and Families, and Outreach in the community to families who are hungry, homeless, discriminated against or in need of assistance.

<u>Thank you for your generous gifts!</u>

December 26th - Worship Service at 10:30am

## Please join us for our regular worship services on Sunday mornings 10:30am

Nursery Care available at 10:30am Sunday School for Children at 10:30am Sunday School for Adults at 9:00am in the Chapel

**Sunday School resumes January 9th** 

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