



FIRST UMC ROCKWALL

# CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

DECEMBER 24, 2025 | 7 PM



## ORDER OF SERVICE

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**PRELUDE**

*Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* | Melissa Williams, piano

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Chris Yost

**CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP**

*O Magnum Mysterium* | Chancel Choir

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH**

**THE CHRIST CANDLE**

Anthony, Kristin, and Ashton Alvarado

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** | *We rejoice for the promise is fulfilled. Christ, our Light and our Redeemer, has come!*

**CONGREGATIONAL SINGING** | *O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
Christ the Lord.*

**HYMN OF PRAISE | 240**

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

**FIRST READING | LUKE 2:1-7**

Allison Hicks, Director of Children's Ministries

**HYMN OF PRAISE | 217**

*Away in a Manger*

**SHARING THE GOSPEL WITH CHILDREN**

Allison Hicks

Childcare available for all services, 5 years & under, Building B

**TELLING THE STORY - CHRISTMAS OFFERING**

Rev. Chris Yost

**OFFERTORY**

*In Bethlehem* | Chancel Choir; Eve Mailly, violin

**HYMN OF PREPARATION | 230**

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

**CHRISTMAS PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Rev. Christina Hisldebrand

**ANTHEM**

*The First Noel* | Chancel Choir

**SECOND READING | LUKE 2:8-20**

Abbey Weaver, Director of Youth Ministries

**SERMON | HEART OF THE MATTER**

Rev. Chris Yost

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES | 239**

*Silent Night, Holy Night*

**HYMN OF CELEBRATION | 246**

*Joy to the World*

**BENEDICTION**

Rev. Chris Yost

**POSTLUDE**

*Go, Tell It on the Mountain* | Melissa Williams, piano

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## ADULT

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### ADULT WINTER STUDIES

Check out the Studies and Register Online.

[FUMCROCKWALL.COM/STUDIES](http://FUMCROCKWALL.COM/STUDIES)

### CELEBRATION GROUP

Single Women 55 & Better - Events All Month

[FUMCROCKWALL.COM/CELEBRATIONGROUP](http://FUMCROCKWALL.COM/CELEBRATIONGROUP)

## CHILDREN

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### BIBLE BASICS CONTINUES JANUARY 4

### REMIX CONTINUES JANUARY 7

[FUMCROCKWALL.COM/CHILDRENEVENTS](http://FUMCROCKWALL.COM/CHILDRENEVENTS)

### CHILDREN'S SUMMER 2026

Save the Dates | Check out events online

[FUMCROCKWALL.COM/CHILDRENSUMMER](http://FUMCROCKWALL.COM/CHILDRENSUMMER)

## CAMP BRIDGEPORT

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### EARLY REGISTRATION OPENS JAN. 6

\$50 OFF Early Bird Discount | Mixed Camp 1

(completed 6-12) - June 22-26, Children's

Camp 1 (completed 3-5) - July 6-10.

[BRIDGEPORTCAMP.ORG](http://BRIDGEPORTCAMP.ORG)

## YOUTH

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### MLK MISSION MADNESS LOCK-IN

January 18-19 | 7th-12th Grade | \$15 per person |

9 PM-7 AM | Youth Space, Overnight event full of

missions and FUN! Bring Friends and Sign Up Online.

[FUMCROCKWALL.COM/YOUTHEVENTS](http://FUMCROCKWALL.COM/YOUTHEVENTS)

### MIDWINTER RETREAT

Youth and Confirmation | Jan. 23-25, 2026

Cost: \$150 | Bridgeport Camp | Register Today!

[FUMCROCKWALL.COM/YOUTHEVENTS](http://FUMCROCKWALL.COM/YOUTHEVENTS)

### YOUTH SUMMER

Save the Dates | Check out events online

[FUMCROCKWALL.COM/YOUTHSUMMER](http://FUMCROCKWALL.COM/YOUTHSUMMER)

## SERVE

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### HELPING HANDS | BABY WIPES

Collecting BABY WIPES and plastic bags all month long.

Drop off in the Shopping Cart in the Mission Corner, Building A.

## WORSHIP

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### BLESSING OF THE TOYS

Dec. 28 | 11 AM | Sanctuary | Bring your favorite toy to the service. We will bless your toy during the Children's sermon. No Sunday School. Childcare available, infants to 5 years old, provided in Building B.

[FUMCROCKWALL.COM/CHRISTMAS](http://FUMCROCKWALL.COM/CHRISTMAS)

## GIVE

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### WAYS TO GIVE

Text "FUMCR" to 94000, Offering Boxes located all over campus for cash/checks, APP or online.

[FUMCROCKWALL.COM/GIVE](http://FUMCROCKWALL.COM/GIVE)

### ADVENT/CHRISTMAS OFFERING

May we come together in extravagant generosity as we meet all of our ministry and mission needs this year.

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*Merry Christmas*

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Dec. 25, 26, 29 | Closed

### POINSETTIA LISTING AVAILABLE AT

ALL WELCOME STATIONS

**POINSETTIAS CAN BE PICKED UP AFTER WORSHIP**

GO ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION

[FUMCROCKWALL.COM](http://FUMCROCKWALL.COM)