



**Sunday, December 21, 2025; 8:15 am and 10:00 am Pageant  
Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**Prelude**                      *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day*      Shabach Ensemble  
(Dan Muckala, Darren Mulligan, Fionán De Barra, Henry Wadsworth  
Longfellow, John Baptiste Calkin) CCLI Song #7247648

## Advent Wreath Lighting

- **Reader 1:** In the fourth week, we focus on the sense of smell, recalling the smells of the stable, the scent of the baby Jesus, and the joy that fills our hearts.
- **Reader 2:** We smell the incense of the stable, the scent of the new baby, and the joy of Christmas that fills our hearts with hope and gratitude. We smell the promise of peace. (**READER TWO** – LIGHT CANDLE AS READER ONE READS NEXT PART)
- **Reader 1:** We light the third candle (pink) as a symbol of joy.
- **Reader 2:** Let us pray: We thank you, O God, for the gifts of our senses, which allow us to feel your presence in our lives. Help us to use these senses to share your love with the world, and to celebrate the coming of Christ with faith, hope, peace, and joy.

**Readers: (8:15 – Veronica and Emma Ritterholz;  
10:00 – Megan and Teddy Ferry)**

**\*Opening Hymn***O Come All Ye Faithful*

(John F. Wade, Frederick Oakeley, arr. Tony Alonso)

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**Verse 1**

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

**Verse 3**

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation; sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!

Glory to God, all glory in the highest;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

**Verse 6**

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning, Jesus, to thee be all glory given.

Word of the Maker, now in flesh appearing.  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

**Congregational Greeting****Offertory / Offertory Prayer****Offertory Music***Joy Unto the World*

(Dan Ostebo, Ethan Hulse, Jordan Mohilowski, Joshua Havens, Matt Fuqua) CCLI Song #7140091

**Scripture****Luke 2: 1-7 From the Pulpit**

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he

was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

**Lay Readers: 8:15-Carolyn Williams; 10:00-Tami Box**

**Sermon** "Sensing the Sacred: Smell" Rev. Lauren Boyd

**Prayer / The Lord's Prayer (8:15 only)**

**Pageant Musical Introduction (10:00 only)**

*Hear the Sounds of Christmas*

Shabach Ensemble and AUMC Kids and Youth

(Dennis Allen, Nan Allen) CCLI Song #5745719

**Children's Pageant (10:00 am only)**  
and Youth

AUMC Kids

"Something Smells"

(Tim Kennedy, Collette Simkins)

**Music During the Pageant (10:00 am only)**

Shabach Ensemble and AUMC Kids and Youth

*Ding Dong Merrily On High: The Celebration's Starting*

(George Ratcliffe Woodward, Rend Collective, Unknown) CCLI Song #7032711

**\*Closing Hymn**

*Little Drummer Boy*

(Katherine Davis, Henry Onorati, Harry Simeone, arr. Ed Kerr) CCLI Song #172614

Verse 1

Come they told me, pa rum pum pum pum.

A new born king to see, pa rum pum pum pum.

Our finest gifts we bring, pa rum pum pum pum.

To lay before the King, pa rum pum pum pum.

Rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum.

So to honor him, pa rum pum pum pum, here we come.

## Verse 2

Little Baby, pa rum pum pum pum.

I am a poor boy too, pa rum pum pum pum.

I have no gift to bring, pa rum pum pum pum.

That's fit to give our King, pa rum pum pum pum.

Rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum.

Shall I play for you, pa rum pum pum pum, on my drum.

## Verse 3

Mary nodded, pa rum pum pum pum.

The ox and lamb kept time, pa rum pum pum pum.

I played my drum for Him, pa rum pum pum pum.

I played my best for Him, pa rum pum pum pum.

Rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum.

Then He smiled at me, pa rum pum pum pum.

Me and my drum.

## **\*Benediction**

### **Sending Forth Music**

### *Silent Night*

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