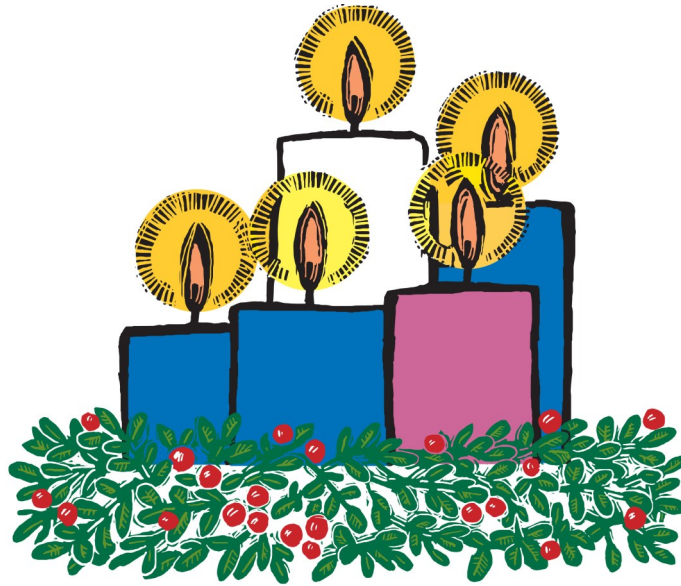




**FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
FOX HILL**



CHRISTMAS EVE

December 24, 2020

“Receive Life”

Luke 2:1-20, Hebrews 1:1-4

December 24, 2020, 4 p.m.
Christmas Eve Worship Service

Welcome		Pastor Brian
Prelude	UMH 245	“The First Noel” <i>Larissa Luma</i>
Advent Candle Lighting		The Nadeau Family
Offering/Witness	UMH 239	“Silent Night” <i>Larissa Luma</i>
Pastoral Prayer		Pastor Tommy
Lord’s Prayer		The Graybeal Children
Communion Moment		Pastor Brian
Special Music	“Star Child” <i>Valentina Sorbera and Mark Biondolillo</i>	Murray
Scripture	Hebrews 1:1-4, Luke 2:1-20	Joyce Winston
Children’s Time		Leah Graybeal
Rainbow Puppets		David Messick
Hymn	“Go Tell it on the Mountain” <i>Valentina Sorbera, piano and Luca Burgalassi, guitar</i>	arr. Burgalassi
Benediction		Pastor Brian
Postlude	“Hark the Herald Angels Sing” <i>Valentina Sorbera</i>	arr. Koerts

December 24, 2020 8:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Worship Service

Prelude	"Angels We Have Heard on High" <i>Wesley Bells</i>	arr. Page
Welcome		Pastor Brian
Hymn	UMH 211	"O Come, O Come Emmanuel" <i>Valentina Sorbera</i>
Advent Candle Lighting		The Nadeau Family
Hymn	UMH 246	"Joy to the World" <i>Larissa Luma</i>
Offering/Witness	UMH 230	"O Little Town of Bethlehem" <i>Valentina Sorbera</i>
Prayer of Confession		Pastor Tommy
	In this moment, Lord, may we find joy. Christmas may not be what we hoped it could be, and we certainly aren't what we ought to be, but we can find joy. Joy is deeper than happiness, more powerful than comfort and rest, and more lasting than laughter. Joy is knowing that You, Lord, have spared nothing to bring us into your heart and your family, sending not only prophets, priests, and angels, but finally, Your own Son, Jesus, our Lord. May we receive him in our hearts, place him on the throne of our wills, and find the eternal joy that is salvation, in Jesus' name, even tonight. Amen	
Words of Assurance		Pastor Tommy
	In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven, Glory be to God! Amen.	
Pastoral Prayer		Pastor Tommy
Lord's Prayer		The Graybeal Children
Special Music	"In the Bleak Midwinter" <i>Will Hederer, viola; Valentina Sorbera, piano; and Mark Biondolillo, organ</i>	arr. Darke
Scripture	Hebrews 1:1-4, Luke 2:1-20	Joyce Winston
Sermon	"Receive Life!"	Pastor Brian
Special Music	"Still, Still, Still" <i>Chancel Choir</i>	arr. Luboff
Invitation to Communion		Pastor Brian
Hymn	UMH 239 <i>Will Hederer, viola; Valentina Sorbera, piano; and Mark Biondolillo, organ</i>	"Silent Night"
Benediction		Pastor Brian
Postlude	"Go Tell it on the Mountain" <i>Valentina Sorbera, piano and Luca Burgalassi, guitar</i>	arr. Burgalassi



Poinsettia Dedications

In honor of:

*Susan Compton, given by
the Reunion Group*

In memory of:

Wayne Grigg, given by Judy Grigg

*Fred & Dorothy (Tisma) Penfield and
Micky & Louise Gulla,
given by Gail and Michael Gulla*

*Mom, Dad, and Big Bro,
given by Dave Sharp*

