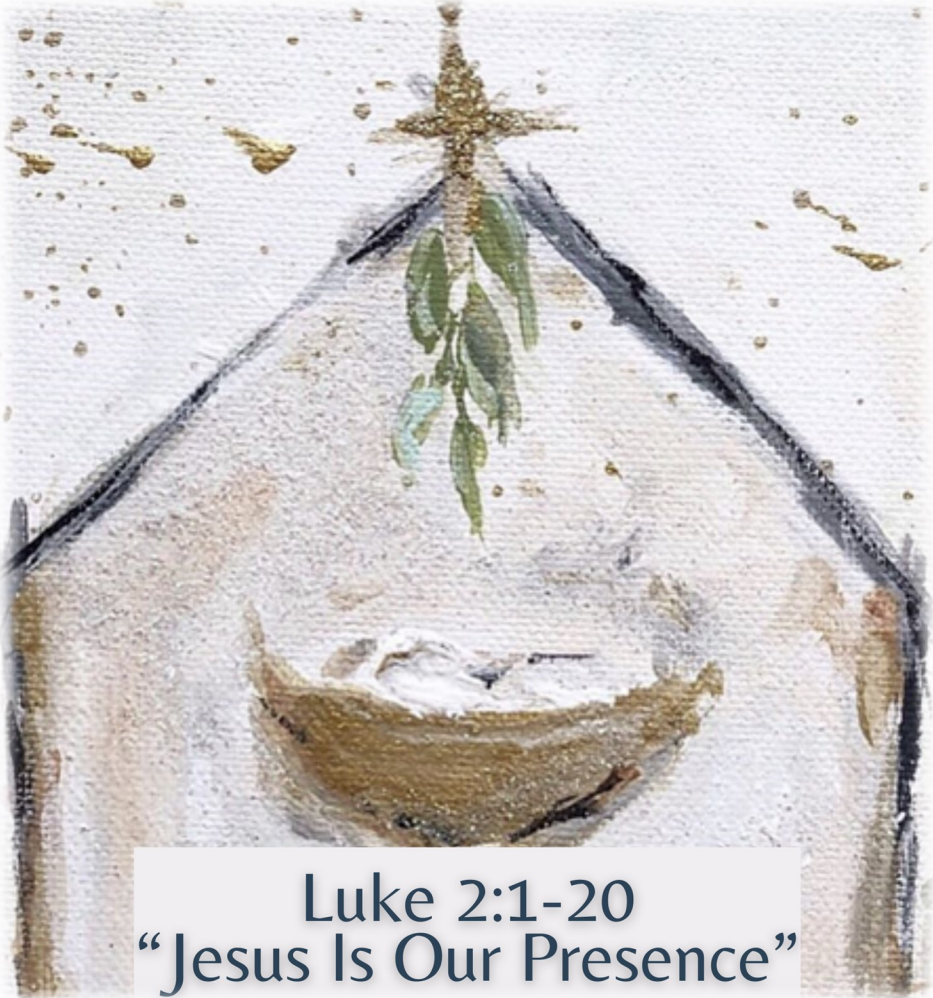


Christmas Eve at

First United Methodist Church Fox Hill

A vibrant church, making Christian disciples & enriching lives through outreach.



Luke 2:1-20
“Jesus Is Our Presence”

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December 24, 2023, 4 p.m.

Welcome

Prelude

“God with Us”
All Sons & Daughters

Worship Team

Lighting the Christmas Candle

Nadeau Family

Tonight we light all the candles. The **first candle** is the hope shining for those worn thin by times of waiting. The **second candle** is the hope shining for those worn down with wearied souls. The **third candle** captures the hopeful expectation of those eagerly watching for God’s glory in our day. The **fourth candle** is the hope of a new tomorrow shining for those seeking freedom from the wounds of this world. Tonight, we light the **Christ candle**. This candle radiates the hope of Jesus Christ to all who are willing to receive it.

* Hymn

UMH 250

“Once in Royal David’s City”

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Brian

Children’s Time

Offering Prayer and Offertory

“Manger Throne”
Phil Wickham

Worship Team

Doxology

UMH 72

“Gloria, Gloria”

Gospel Reading

Luke 2:1-20

Children’s Anthem

Joy to the World/Shout for Joy
Paul Baloche

Children’s Choir

Homily

“Jesus Is Our Presence”

Pastor Brian

Invitation to Communion

UMH 12

Confession

Great Thanksgiving

“Christmas Carol Communion”

Communion Meal

Prayer After Communion

Lighting all Candles

Please pass the light of your candle to your neighbor, keeping your candle upright so as to avoid wax spilling on clothes or floor. An usher will receive your candle at the door as you depart.

* Hymn

UMH 239

Silent Night (Children vs. 1 then all)

Benediction

Postlude

December 24, 2022 6:00 p.m.

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Prelude

* Hymn

UMH 250

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Advent Candle Lighting

Melanie Souder

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Choral Response

“Christ Be Our Light”

Farrell

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Becky

* Hymn

UMH 230

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Offering Prayer and Offertory

“Emmanuel, God with Us”

McDonald

First Fox Hill Family Choir

Offertory Response

UMH 72

“Gloria, Gloria”

Scripture

Luke 2:1-20

Homily

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Poinsettia Dedications

In Honor of

Joyce Wilson
Given by Woody Wilson

Gail Gulla
Given by Don & Bonnie Hulton

Bill & Anne Bryan
Given by Ed & Joyce Fly

In Memory of

Bonnie H. Brown
Given by Randy, Michael, Bill,
Colleen, & Cailin Brown

Wayne Grigg
Given by Judy Grigg Adams

Judy Dale Adams
Given by Michael Adams



Our Parents
Given by Jane & Jesse Barbour
Bob & Esther Branstetter; Mike
Branstetter; Bobby & Mary Smith
Given by Jim Branstetter

Mom, Dad, & Big Bro
Given by Dave Sharp

