



# First United Methodist Church

Manhattan, Kansas

CONNECTING *to Christ* | GROWING *in Community* | SERVING *the World*



December 24, 2021 - 7:00 pm

Welcome to worship at First UMC; we are glad you are here. Our expectation is that worship will be a time where your spirit will connect with God's Holy Spirit and refresh your soul. Whether this is your first time at FUMC, or you have been attending since you were a baby, you are welcome in this community of faith.

# Christmas Eve Worship - 7:00 pm - Traditional

\* Asterisk indicates to stand as you are able.

## Christmas Prelude Music

He is Born  
Mary McDonald  
Jody Weis, Organ

## Welcome

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: The impossible is about to happen in a stable. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

**People: Those who lived in a land of deep darkness, on them has the light shined!**

Leader: This is the evening when creation stood still and held its breath, for God was doing the most unbelievable, dangerous thing.

**People: This is the evening when God embraced humanity from the inside, as one of us, from birth to death.**

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

**People: And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth. Amen!**

**\*Hymn of Praise**      O Come, All Ye Faithful, No. 234 (vs. 1-3, 6)

## Grace and Greeting

## Lighting Our Advent Wreath

## Word for Young Disciples

Courtney Fellers  
Children's Ministry Director

## Baptism

Beau Zachary Alleger  
Son of Amanda Hudec Alleger and Matthew Alleger

## The Christmas Story - Luke 2:1-20

**The Trip to Bethlehem**      Luke 2:1-5, NT pg. 54

**Hymn**      O Little Town of Bethlehem, No. 230

**A Child Is Born**      Luke 2:6-7, NT pg. 54

**Hymn**      Away in a Manger, No. 217

**The Shepherds Are Told**      Luke 2:8-12, NT pg. 54

**Hymn** The First Noel, No. 245

**The Angels Sing** Luke 2:13-16, NT pg. 55

**Hymn** It Came upon the Midnight Clear, No. 218

**The Story Is Made Known** Luke 2:17-20, NT pg. 55

**Hymn** What Child Is This, No. 219

**Christmas Eve Offering**

Unless otherwise designated, the entire Christmas Eve offering will go to the FUMC Lydia Ministry.

**Offertory** Carol of the Bells  
Jason Krug  
Christmas Bell Choir; Nancy Monical, Director

**Christmas Meditation** Pastor Barry Dundas

**Anthem** Come to Us O Promised One  
Lloyd Larson  
Chancel Choir, Amy Rosine, Director

**The Light Comes into the World**

The God who said, "Let there be light,"  
Has caused light to shine in our hearts  
That light is the glory of God  
Reflected in the face of Jesus Christ.  
As our candles are a sea of light  
Lit from the one light of Christ  
So may the church reflect Christ's light and love in the world.

**\*Candlelight Carol** Silent Night, Holy Night, No. 239

**\*Christmas Prayer**

**\*Hymn of Joy** Joy to the World, No. 246

**\*Sending Forth**

**\*Postlude** Hark! the Herald Angels Sing  
John Leavitt

***A warm welcome to you this evening!***

It is our hope and prayer this Christmas Eve Worship will be a blessing to you and your family. We would also like to extend a sincere invitation for you to worship with us on Sunday mornings and become better acquainted with our church. Again, welcome and a very blessed Christmas to you!

## Christmas Memorials

### In Memory of:

Lynn and Wanda Pierce by Thaniel, Jennifer, Madison, and Lawson Monaco

Craig Mosier by Steve and Linda Mosier

Brian Alexander Hood by Lyle Dixon

Our parents, Donald and Eleanor McEwen and Allen and Evelyn Knopp by  
Joe and Nancy Knopp

Carl Jordan by Shawna Jordan

Vern Gannon by Sherrie Gannon, Brett, Nicole, Bailee, and Koton Wright

Robert and Dorothy Anderson; Carl Anderson, Bruce Anderson,  
Mike and Lela Carmichael by Kent and Sandra Carmichael

Frank and Rita Turner by Alissa and Bill Turner

Lights in the sanctuary windows are for Liz, granddaughter of Carl and Barbara  
Meyer

With our services being streamed, you or your children may end up on video, especially during the "Word for Young Disciples". We do our very best to have no close-ups of the congregation.



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