

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
United Methodist Church of Livonia
Livonia, New York

Welcome! We're glad you are here!!

If you are visiting with us tonight, please let us know by filling out a connection card found in the pew rack in front of you and place it in the offering plate.

December 24, 2023 - Christmas Eve 7:00 PM

*Please stand if you are able.

PRELUDE Lucille LeFeber

VISUAL CALL TO WORSHIP

*CAROL *O Come, All Ye Faithful* UMH 234 (vv. 1,3,5)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (in unison) Darcy Young
God, creator of all life, you made us in your image and sent your Son to be our Savior. Lord, open our minds and hearts by the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may hear and rejoice in the gospel of our Savior's birth, told in story and song this night. Amen.

~~ THE PROMISE ~~
SCRIPTURE READING Micah 5:2-5a Eleanor Dober

*CAROL *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* UMH 211 (vv. 1,2)

~~ THE CHILD IS BORN ~~
SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:1-7 Ranee Meissner

*CAROL *Christmas Hallelujah* Praise Band

*LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE The Woodruff Family
Leader: Christ the Savior is born.
People: Christ the Savior is born.
Leader: Jesus Christ is the Light of the world!
People: A light no darkness can extinguish.

SPECIAL MUSIC *Christ Is Born! Jesus, Our Emmanuel!* Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. Sung Ho Lee

~~ ANGELS OVER BETHLEHEM ~~
SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:8-14 Marty Huer

*CAROL *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing* UMH 240 (vv. 1,2,3)

~~ ADORATION OF THE SHEPHERDS ~~
SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:15-20 John Sciera

SPECIAL MUSIC
Strange Way to Save the World Dan and Aidan Nichols

~~ VISIT OF THE MAGI ~~
SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 2:1-12 Susan Bell

OFFERING
The offering tonight will fund the Pastor's Fund which supports those in our community that need our help.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE Rev. Sung Ho Lee

SPECIAL MUSIC *O Holy Night* Anna and Amara Evans

~~ THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD ~~
SCRIPTURE READING John 1:1-5, 14 Annabelle Foos

*CANDLE LIGHTING *Silent Night, Holy Night*

*CAROL *Joy to the World* UMH 246 (vv. 1-4)

*BLESSING
Pastor: May God fill you with the sweetness of inward peace and goodwill; and the blessing of God, the love of Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit remain with you always. Go in peace and joy to love and serve the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE *Joy to the World*