Wesley United Methodist Church December 14th, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

To Love God with all our Heart-To Love the World as Jesus Does

PRELUDE "The Holly & The Ivy"

Erica Asendorf & Michelle Oldfield

WELCOME

(Visitors, Members, and Friends of Wesley, please sign the "Friendship Pad" to register attendance with us today. We are glad you are here!)

SPECIAL MUSIC "Little Drummer Boy" Chancel Choir & Ensemble

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 150:1,6

Leader: Praise the Lord.

ALL: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

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*HYMN "O Come All Ye Faithful" vs. 1, 2, 3 (UMH#234)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE "Joy"

Leader: In the midst of our waiting and longing for God to make the world right again, we cling to the truth that God has saved, God is saving, and God will save. So today, we join our voices with the prophet Isaiah, who calls us to live in the joy of the truth of God's salvation.

ALL: We look to the day that is coming when "the ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away" (Isaiah 35:10)

Leader: We light this candle of joy as a sign of the Truth that sets us free to live in joy as we wait and work for the day of God's full salvation.

OFFERING OURSELVES, OUR LIVES, AND CONCERNS

PERSONAL PRAYER TIME (Remember those on our prayer list.)

MORNING PRAYER
THE LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Ring We Now of Christmas" Memorial Bells

*DOXOLOGY" (UMH#95)

Christmas Road Trip—Journey of a Lifetime By Wesley Kids and Youth

Scene One

Song "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" vs. 1, 5 Congregation

Scene Two

Song "Sounding Joy" Chloe, Erica & Kids

Scene Three

Song "We Three Kings" Combined Bells

Scene Four

Song "Coventry Carol" Chancel Choir

MEDITATION "A Haunting Advent Series: Be Present w/Christmas Present"

Rev. Dr. Shalom Renner

HYMN "Joy to the World" (UMH#246)

*FLOWER CELEBRATIONS AND MEMORIALS

*BENEDICTION *Stand as able.

Wesley Kids and Youth ("*" Denotes Scripture Reader)
Wesley Kids: Ethan "Willard" Ashwood, Freya Bailey, Isolde Bailey*, Lena
Bailey, Scarlett Bailey, Baylor Baker, Honesty Baker, Ezra Ball, Raina Ball*,
Quinn Clardy*, Cooper Klinedinst*, Palmer Klinedinst*, Claire Mellert, Grace
Mellert, Hayes Mellert*, Matthew Oldfield*, Kinsley Washington, Jethan Way
Wesley Youth: Reese Oldfield, Grayson Randolph, Chloe Renner
Narrator: Elijah Renner

JOIN US FOR
CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT
COMMUNION SERVICE.
4:00PM & 7:00PM
DECEMBER 24TH

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28TH, IS AT 9:30AM IN THE SANCTUARY.

Wesley United Methodist Church Canton, IL



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