



First United Methodist Church
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December 24, 2019

White

Christmas Eve

Don't you know the angels were breathless as He stepped down off His throne into the cosmos His own hands had made. Don't you know that darkness protested as its reign was overthrown, and victory was declared with Love's display. ~from "One Wintery Night" by David Phelps

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Please stand if able.*

Our worship begins with the Prelude. This is a time to prepare our hearts with quiet meditation so that we may receive God's Word.

PRELUDE "Joy to the World" Handbell Choir
 George F. Handel

BRINGING OF THE LIGHT

* CALL TO WORSHIP

L: At Christmas we celebrate the coming of God to earth in human form.

P: The shepherds listen to the songs of angels,

L: And the sages follow the stars,

P: But the glory of God shines in a manger.

L: "Go, tell it on the mountain,

P: Over the hills and everywhere,

L: Go, tell it on the mountain,

P: That Jesus Christ is born!"

* HYMN OF PRAISE "O Come, All Ye Faithful" UMH No. 234

INVOCATION

O Jesus, light of the world, in you God broke the hold of darkness on the world of Caesar. We pray that today, as in those days, you will illumine us with the vision of a new world—a world in which hate yields to love, weapons are turned into tools, and enemies become allies. Give us the grace not only to see that vision, but to put flesh on it as you did in Bethlehem of Judea. Amen.

ANTHEM "Carol of the Manger" Chancel Choir
 Jane Foster Knox and Mark Wilson

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Make Room" Monty Kunes
 John Mark Hall and Matt Maher

* DOXOLOGY UMH No. 95

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

MOMENTS WITH THE CHILDREN Rev. Thomas D. Carr

* LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH AND THE CHRIST CANDLE

* RESPONSE "Emmanuel, Emmanuel" UMH No. 204

PRAYER HYMN "Away in the Manger" UMH No. 217

A PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE John 1:1-14

SERMON "The Word Became Flesh" Rev. Thomas D. Carr

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE BREAD AND THE CUP

SHARING THE LIGHT

Please use great care during the passing of the light. Never tip a lighted candle! Rather, hold the lighted candle upright and still while your neighbor tips their candle into the burning light.

During the passing of the light the congregation will sing the first verse of each of the following carols from the United Methodist Hymnal:

"What Child Is This"	219
"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"	229
"O Little Town of Bethlehem"	230
"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"	240
"The First Noel"	245
"There's a Song in the Air"	249
"Go, Tell it on the Mountain"	251

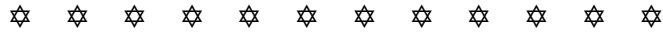
We will sing all the verses of our final two carols while standing:

* HYMNS OF CELEBRATION "Joy to the World" 246
 "Silent Night" 239

* TAKING OF THE LIGHT

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE "Joyful Tidings" Tammy Richko
James Moffatt/Quoting a Tune by George F. Handel and a Spiritual



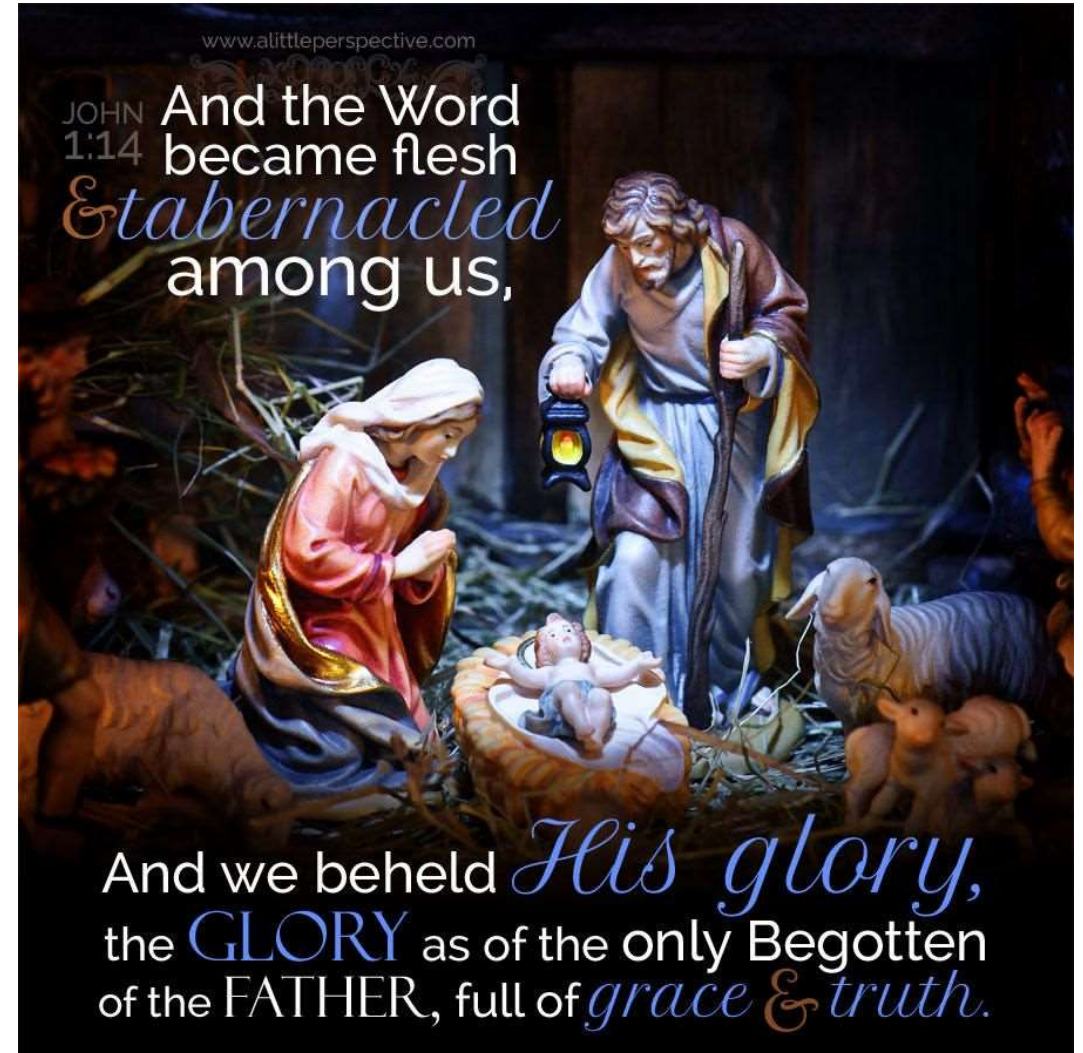
Large print bulletins and hymnals are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

Greeters this evening are: Candy and Ed Reign, Cindy Remaley
Acolyte: A Child of God
Ministers: Every Member
Pastor: Thomas D. Carr
Pastor Emeritus: Leo C. Cramer
Lay Leader: Kim Tagliaferre
Handbell & Chimebar Director & Pianist/Organist: Mona Cramer
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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

CHRISTMAS EVE
CANDLELIGHT SERVICE



The First United Methodist Church
Reynoldsville, Pennsylvania
Rev. Thomas D. Carr, Pastor
Rev. Leo Cramer, Pastor Emeritus



In honor of:

Jesus

In memory of:

Avery Bailey; Austin, Bernice, & Kevin Wells

Janina & Raymond Brewer

Dave & Carol Burdge

Judy Clever

Samuel & Amy Earley

Bonnie & Kay Engle, Dick Knepp, & Loved Ones

Sandy Frampton

Tim & Jackie Walls

Peg Fye

Julee Herbstritt

Clarence & Florence Himes

Dad, Mom, & Jimmy Kohlenberg; Billy Reign

Kenneth & Virginia Long; Sheldon & Rugh Kouger

Bud McCullough

Leslie Earley Osikowicz

Jack Price

Presented by:

Carol Wells

Presented by:

Dan & Naomi Bailey

Laudrea & Family

Dan & Naomi Bailey

Her Family

The Family

Eric & Kathy Knepp Family

Tim & Jackie Walls

Tim & Jackie Walls

Kim Rodgers

Her Family

John Himes

Candy & Ed Reign

Doug & Debbie Kouger & Family

Ruth McCullough

Sam & Donna Earley & Family

Donna, Matt, Anna, Sheri, & Connor

Dad, Dot, & Billy Reign & Dorothy Sword

Ken Reiter, Jr.

Judy Reiter

Blair Rhodes

Mary & Jeff Schuckers

Lillian Scott

Robert & Vivian Scott

Anastasia Siple

Charles & Lucinda Smith, Tammy Johnson, & Debra Nicholson

Daniel Snyder, Jr.

Albert Wells

Brenda Wells

Bill Yount

Barb's Family

Norm's Family

Our Loved Ones

Ed & Candy Reign

Sandy Reiter

Phillip Reiter

Ruby & Family

LeeAnne Watt

Neil & Evelyn Hillis

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Jeff & Tina Siple

Dan & Naomi Bailey

Nichole Walk & Vicki Krivak

Sally, Russ, & Family; Randy & Family

Vicki Krivak & Nichole Walk

His Family

Barb & Norm Holcombe

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Mark & Wendy Watt