

CHRISTMAS EVE 7:00 PM KNOX UNITED CHURCH



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Rev. Jennifer Ferguson, *Minister*
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Rev. Dr. M. Bruce McIntyre, *Minister Emeritus*
Jenny Vincent, *Music Leader*
Jan & Bill Laurie, *Music Team*
Rheana Slack, *Violin*
Maïke Waibel, *Flute*

FAMILY SERVICE DECEMBER 24, 2017

Please note that our sanctuary is equipped with a loop system for the hearing impaired. If you wear a hearing-aid, please turn it to the "T" position.

Thank you for remembering that Knox strives to be a SCENT FREE ZONE

In body or in spirit, please stand as you are able where indicated (*)

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PRELUDE

Carol Medley (Instrumental Trio)

MEDITATION

We are called again to go to Bethlehem,
No matter the state of our health or our world.
We come faithful and hopeful,
For we have heard the message,
We have dreamed the dream
That God will come to dwell among us.
--Ann Weems *from Kneeling in Bethlehem*

CHOIR PROCESSIONAL: O Come, All Ye Faithful 60VU

WELCOME

DUET: A Christmas Calypso
Words & music Dale Peterson
Mackenna and Amelia Jardine

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather tonight to see the world,
through the shining eyes of children,
that we might catch a glimpse of wonder
on this holy night.

All: We gather with Mary and Joseph,
open to receiving the Mystery of Love
into our lives.

One: We gather with heavenly messengers,
listening for songs of hope and peace,
goodwill upon the earth.

All: We gather with the Shepherds,
in search of peaceful leaders
to guide us on a true and nobler path.

One: We gather with the Wise
in awe of the wondrous beauty of the cosmos
humbled by innocence and grace.

All: May we all travel back to Bethlehem tonight,
so that we might ultimately travel onward,
being remade into all that is good and whole,
for our time and place.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (Weiss Family)

DUET: Do You Hear What I Hear?
Words Noel Regney & Music Gloria Shayne
Mackenna and Amelia Jardine

THE STORY OF THE FIRST CHRISTMAS IS TOLD

NARRATION: (Mary and Joseph Arrive)

ANTHEM Angels Are Making Their Rounds
Words and music by Pepper Choplin
(Christmas angels come forward to the manger as we Sing)

CAROL: While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks
v.1, 2, 3 75VU
(shepherds come forward to kneel at the manger as we sing)

CAROL: The First Nowell vs. 2,3,4,5 91VU
(the wise come forward to the manger)

CAROL: Away in a Manger 69VU
(all children return to their families)

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Sure on this Shining Night
Words by James Agee
Music by Morten Lauridsen

CHRISTMAS PRAYERS

CANDLELIGHTING

CAROL: Silent Night, Holy Night 67VU

BLESSING

POSTLUDE Ding Dong Merrily on High

A special thank you to Rheana Slack (violin), Maike Waibel (flute), Jenny Vincent (Piano and Organ) for their beautiful music enhancing this holy night.

Thank you to Shirlene Donnelly for her inspirational playing of the native flute.

Thank you to Mackenna and Amelia Jardine and to the choir for their lovely gift of song.

A heartfelt thanks to the Tech team who have been so dedicated throughout this season.



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