

CAROL: UMH #230 O Little Town of Bethlehem (ST. LOUIS)

THE EIGHTH LESSON: Luke 2:8-20

READER: Pam Johnson

*CAROL: UMH #238 Angels We Have Heard on High (GLORIA)

THE NINTH LESSON: Matthew 2:1-12

READERS: Lorie and Scott Teal

*CAROL: UMH #245 The First Noel (THE FIRST NOEL)

OFFERTORY: Beautiful Star of Bethlehem by R. Fisher Boyce
JoBeth Lanier

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Based on John 1:1-14)

In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.
He was in the beginning with God.
All things came into being through him
and without him not one thing came into being.

What has come into being in him was life,
and the life was the light of all people
The light shines in the darkness, and
the darkness did not overtake it.

There came a man sent from God
whose name was John.
He came to witness to testify to the light,
so that all might believe through him.

He himself was not the light, but he
came to testify to the light
He was in the world, and the world
came into being through him,
yet the world did not know him.

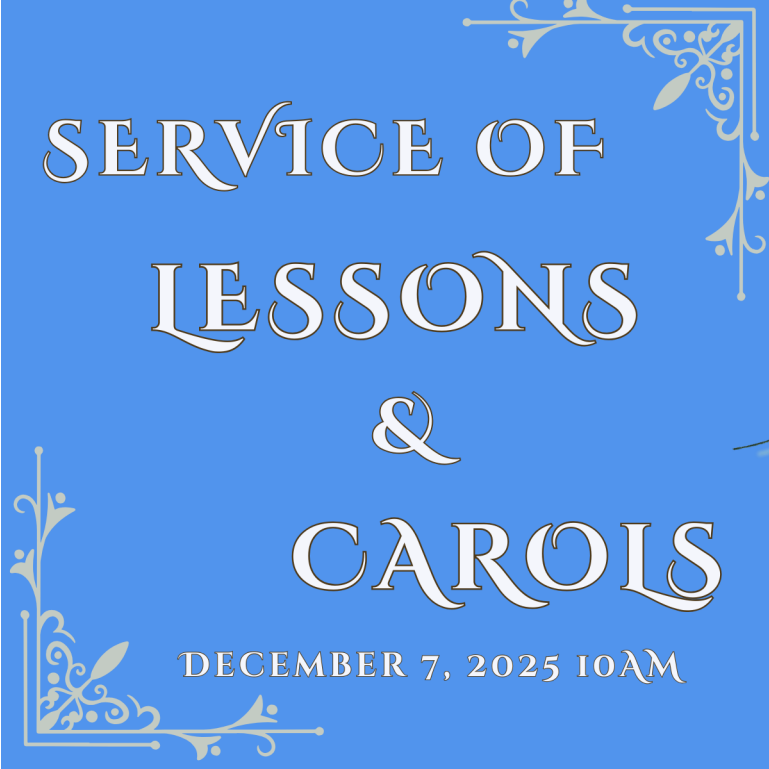
He came to what was his own, and his own
people did not accept him. But to all who
received him, who believed in his name, he
gave power to become children of God,
who were born, not of blood or of the will
of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.
And the Word became flesh
and lived among us,
and we have seen his glory,
the glory as of a father's only son,
full of grace and truth.

*CAROL: UMH #204 Emmanuel (McGEE)

*BENEDICTION Pastor Todd

** Please stand as you are able*

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Ringin

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Todd

Lighting of the Advent Candle

PEACE
(see insert)

Chris Perryman & Andretti Daniel

Response: UMH # 211 Chorus of O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (refrain)

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

Prelude: O Come, Emmanuel – arr. by Charles W. Steele

Wesley Ringers

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Todd

In days to come, the mountain of the Lord’s house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,
Come, let us go to the mountain of the Lord,
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come,
let us walk in the light of the Lord!

*CAROL: UMH #250 Once in Royal David’s City (IRBY)

Traditionally a young boy sings the first stanza of this carol that begins a Service of Lessons and Carols. We are fortunate to have William O’Quinn singing this morning. The congregation will sing stanzas 2-4.

VOCAL SOLO: Unto Us by Larry & Lesa Bryant

Paige Lovvorn, Soprano

THE FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 11:1-10

READER: Anne Marie Nix

CAROL: UMH #196 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus (HYFRYDOL)

THE SECOND LESSON: Isaiah 35:1-10

READER: Maggie O’Quinn

Every Valley by John Ness Beck

Chancel Choir

THE THIRD LESSON: Matthew 1:1-17

READER: Steve Murphy

The Bleak Midwinter with Love Came Down arr. by Mark Hayes

Karen Culverhouse Piano Solo

THE FOURTH LESSON: Luke 1:26-38

READER: Glenda Allen

The Angel Gabriel by Sabine Baringo-Gould

Everett Bryson, Paige Lovvorn and Chancel Choir

THE FIFTH LESSON: Matthew 1:18-25

READER: Jimmy O’Quinn

*CAROL UMH #211 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (VENI EMANUEL) Stanzas 1-4

THE SIXTH LESSON: Luke 1:39-58

READER: Karen Culverhouse

Canticle of the Turning by Rory Cooney (MERLE’S TUNE)

William O’Quinn and the Chancel Choir

THE SEVENTH LESSON: Luke 2:1-7

READER: Dick Israel