



# Glory to the NEWBORN KING!

*The one who is to be born will be holy.  
He will be called God's Son.*

LUKE 1:35 (CEB)

**Roselle United Methodist Church  
Order of Word & Table  
December 24, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.  
Christmas Eve, Candlelight Worship Service**

\*Please stand, as you are able

## Gathering      Bringing the Light      John Walters

**Gathering Song** UMH #196 v1  
*“Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”*

**Lighting the Christ Candle** Monteleone Family  
All: We gather to once again bask in the glory that visited a stable and a manger, shepherds watching their flocks, and a young couple cradling the newborn Messiah.

# Welcome & \*Sharing Joyful Signs of Peace

Rev. Magloire K. Kaneng

## **Opening Hymn with Triumphal Entrance** *“O Come, All Ye Faithful”*      UMH #234 v1, 3 & 6

**\*Opening Prayer** In unison  
Holy God, we thank you for the gift of a child born in Bethlehem. We have come to worship and adore you for who you are, and all you do. Grant that this light that has shone today continues to reach into all our dark spaces, and make us to be the light of this world in service with you and others. We rejoice in you now and forevermore. Come Holy Jesus and fill us now, in Christ's name we pray. Amen.

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| <b>Anthem</b>                                  |  | Chancel Choir           |
|  | <i>Mary's Little Boy Child</i> " - arr. H. McKee                           |                         |
| <b>Announcement</b>                            |  | John Sheely             |
| <b>Lesson 2</b>                                | Luke 2:8-14  | Mary Wrobel             |
|  | “The Shepherds in the field receive a visit from angels.”                  |                         |
| <b>Carol</b>                                   | “ <i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i> ”                                    | UMH #238 v 1 & 2        |
| <b>Children's Time</b>                         |  | Carol Thorsen           |
| <b>Lesson 3</b>                                | Luke 2:15-20   | Nick Monteleone         |
|  | “The Shepherds hurry to Bethlehem to see the baby<br>with their own eyes.” |                         |
| <b>Carol</b>                                   | “ <i>Away in a Manger</i> ”  | UMH #217                |
|  | v1 Solo, Bennie Monteleone & v3 Congregation                               |                         |
| <b>Homily</b>                                  | “When a child is born”   | Rev. Magloire K. Kaneng |
| <b>Invitation to Offering</b>                  |  | John Sheely             |
|  | Pastor's Appeal for December:<br>Supporting Zion UMC 's Construction       |                         |
| <b>Offertory Anthem</b>                        |  | Chancel Choir           |
|  | ‘ <i>Unto Us a Son is Given</i> ” - J. Martin                              |                         |
| <b>*Doxology</b>                               | “ <i>What Child is This?</i> ”   | UMH #219 v 3            |
| <b>*Prayer of Dedication</b>                   |  | Rev. Magloire K. Kaneng |
| <b>The Great Thanksgiving (Holy Communion)</b> |  |                         |
| <b>Communion Carol</b>                         | “ <i>The First Noel</i> ”  | UMH #245                |

## Prayer After Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Lighting of the Christmas Candles** Rev. Magloire K. Kaneng  
“*Silent Night*” UMH #239

## \*The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
Thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive  
us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass  
against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver  
us from the evil one. For thine is the kingdom, the  
power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

**\*Closing Hymn** “*Joy to the World*” UMH #246 v1, 2 & 4

**\*Benediction and Dismissal** Rev. Magloire K. Kaneng

**\*Postlude** “*Hark the Herald Angels Sing*” Mary Hough

## Worship Leadership

Senior Pastor: Rev. Magloire K. Kaneng Liturgist: John Sheely

Lesson Readers: Jane Walters, Mary Wrobel & Nick Monteleone

Advent Wreath: Nick, Natalie & Bennie Monteleone

Chancel Choir Director: Holley McKee Anthem: Chancel Choir

Song Leader: Holley McKee Pianist: Mary Hough

Soloist: Bennie Monteleone Communion Prep: D. Niemann & L. Latvys

Acolyte: John Walters Greeters & Ushers: Worship Committee

Attendance: Dianne Niemann & Donna Taylor

Tech Director: Nick Monteleone Sound/AV: Mike McKee

Computer: Heidi Parsons Worship Aide Prep: Christine Wachna

## Worship Resources:

2025 Revised Common Lectionary

Scriptures: New Revised Standard Version

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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!**

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Christmas Eve Service.***