

JULY 26, 2026

10:30 AM

AT WESLEY CHAPEL UMC, URBANA MD

GATHERING, PRELUDE,
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Dave

CALL TO WORSHIP

Ps 98 (NLT)

Pastor Dave

Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things;
The Lord has made his salvation known
and revealed his righteousness to the nations.

**All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pastor Dave

Lord God, as scriptures are read and carols are sung today,
open our eyes to see the wonder of your salvation story.
Let the seeds of your Word take deep root in us this season,
producing fruits of joy, peace, and hope.

May your Holy Spirit speak through every reading and melody,
drawing us closer to the living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

LESSON 1

**Genesis 3:8–15
The Fall**

Leslie Short

CAROL

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

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CONFESSION

God of abundant loving, please forgive your church family
for our failure to uphold and express the generosity of your
ways. Forgive us for those sins of which we are ashamed,
and for the sly sins which as yet we have not recognized and
brought out into your light. Please be to us, not the God we
deserve but the Savior who heaps grace upon grace. In you
alone we place our trust. Through Christ Jesus our
Redeemer,

ASSURANCE

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The light of Christ shines in our darkness,
to bring light and life to all.

Sisters and brothers, receive the good news:

By the gift of Christ, our sins are forgiven.

Praise God for our victory in Christ.

LESSON 2

**Isaiah 9:2, 6–7
The Prophecy of the Light**

Leslie Short

CAROL

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

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LESSON 3

**Isaiah 52:7–10
The Messenger of Peace**

Leslie Short

CAROL

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

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LESSON 4

**Luke 1:26–38
The Annunciation**

Leslie Short

MUSICAL MEDITATION

(In lieu of a Sermon)

DUET:

"I Need a Silent Night"

Asha and Bonnie

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

INTERCESSIONS

Pastor Dave

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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LESSON 5

**Hebrews 1:1–4
The Final Word of God**

Gary Grim

CAROL

O Come, All Ye Faithful (1,3)

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LESSON 6

**John 1:1–14
The Word Made Flesh**

Gary Grim

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

With grateful hearts for the gift of our Savior,
let us bring our gifts to God.

DOXOLOGY

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PRAYER

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O Majesty on high, bless these gifts we offer
that they may bring light
to the darkened corners of our world;
in Christ's name we pray. Amen.

CAROL

Joy to the World

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BENEDICTION

Pastor Dave

Go in peace to bring comfort and healing
and to announce good news in the name of Christ.
The blessing of God, the One who creates,
redeems, and sustains us eternally,
be with you now and always.

POSTLUDE

Scriptures for Next Week -

Genesis 32:22-31	and Psalm 17:1-7, 15
or Isaiah 55:1-5	and Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
Romans 9:1-5	and Matthew 14:13-21

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