



Wednesday, December 24, 2025



## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Wednesday, December 31, from 5-11 pm, FLC New Year's Eve 'All are Welcome' Party in the Petersen Gallery
- January 1, 2026 Church Office Reopens
- Friday, January 16, at 2 pm, Mariners Gathering at the home of Greg Jones and Marylou Belknap-Jones
- Sunday, January 25, at 11:15 am, Annual Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary

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## PRELUDE

O Come, All Ye Faithful  
By John Francis Wade

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please sign friendship pads
- The office will be closed between Christmas and New Years
- Wednesday, December 31, from 5:30-11 pm, FLC New Year's Eve 'All are Welcome' Party in the Petersen Gallery
- Lay leaders:
- Dan & Laura Thompson-Aue
- Candle Lighting:  
Wakeland/Terwilliger Family

## OPENING CAROL

**"Once, In Royal David's City"** #140  
***Soloist vs 1 (unaccompanied);***

*Once in royal David's city  
stood a lowly cattle shed,  
where a mother laid her baby  
in a manger for his bed:  
Mary was that mother mild;  
Jesus Christ, her little child.*

***Congregation vs 2,3, & 4***

He came down to earth from heaven  
who is God and Lord of all,  
and his shelter was a stable,  
and his cradle was a stall;  
with the poor and meek and lowly,  
lived on earth our Savior holy.

Jesus is our childhood's pattern;  
day by day like us he grew;  
he was little, weak and helpless;  
tears and smiles like us he knew;  
and he feels for all our sadness,  
and he shares in all our gladness.

And our eyes at last shall see him,  
through his own redeeming love;  
for that child so dear and gentle  
is our Lord in heaven above;  
and he leads his children on  
to the place where he is gone.

## LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

## CAROL

**O Come, All Ye Faithful** #133 vs 1 & 3

O come, all ye faithful,  
joyful and triumphant;  
O come ye; O come ye to Bethlehem!  
Come, and behold Him,  
born the King of Angels!  
O come, let us adore Him;  
O come, let us adore Him;  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ, the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation;  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!  
O come, let us adore Him;  
O come, let us adore Him;  
O come, let us adore Him,

## SPECIAL MUSIC

Run to the Manger  
Arr. Victor C. Johnson  
Southminster Chancel Choir

## FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 9:2 - 3, 6

## CAROL

**O Little Town of Bethlehem** #121 vs 1 & 4

Oh little town of Bethlehem,  
how still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
the silent stars go by.  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth,  
the everlasting light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
are met in thee tonight.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,  
descend to us, we pray;  
cast out our sin and enter in;  
be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
the great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us; abide with us,  
our Lord Emmanuel!

## SECOND LESSON

Luke 2:1-7

## SPECIAL MUSIC

O Holy Night  
Arr. A. Adams  
Gabi Marcus, Tenor



## THIRD LESSON

Luke 2:8-20

## CAROL

**Angels We Have Heard on High**

#113 vs 1 & 3

Angels we have heard on high,  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their joyous strains.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo!  
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing,  
Come, adore on bended knee,  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

## SPECIAL MUSIC

Still, Still, Still  
Arr. Norman Luboff  
Southminster Chancel Choir

## HOMILY

Christmas in 2025  
Rev. Karin Kennedy Hejmanowski

## OFFERTORY

O Holy Night by Adolphe Adam

## CAROL

**Hark the Herald Angels Sing** #119 vs 1 & 3

Hark! The herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King.  
Peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!"  
Joyful, all ye nations rise;  
join the triumph of the skies;  
with the angelic host proclaim,  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"  
Hark! The herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the sun of righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
risen with healing in his wings.  
Mild he lays his glory by,  
born that we no more may die,  
Born to raise us from the earth,  
born to give us second birth.  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King!"

## LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES OF CHRISTMAS

## CAROL

**Silent Night** #122

Silent night, holy night!  
All is calm, all is bright.  
'round yon Virgin Mother and Child.  
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.  
Silent night, holy night!  
Shepherds quake at the sight;  
Glories stream from heaven afar,  
Heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia:  
Christ the Savior is born;  
Christ the Savior is born!"  
Silent night, holy night!  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,  
With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,  
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.  
Silent night, holy night,  
Wondrous star, lend the light;  
With the angels let us sing  
Alleluia to our King;  
Christ the Savior is born,  
Christ the Savior is born.

## CAROL

**Joy To The World** #134

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare Him room,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.  
Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!  
Let us their songs employ,  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.  
No more let sins and sorrows grow,  
nor thorns infest the ground;  
he comes to make his blessings flow  
far as the curse is found,  
far as the curse is found,  
far as, far as the curse is found.  
He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders, wonders of His love.

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

Go Tell It on the Mountain  
By John W. Work Jr.