

Bethel

United Church of Christ

December 9, 2018



Lessons &



The People of God Gather for Worship

Second Sunday of Advent – Festival of Lessons and Carols

Kindly turn off or silence all electronic devices
Please observe a time of silence during the prelude for reflection and preparation for worship

PRELUDE

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Traditional Plainsong
Arr. by Lani Smith

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

INVITATION OF THE STEEPLE BELL

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE

Based on Isaiah 2:1-5

Come and gather, O People of God!

Let us gather at the House of the Lord!

We await the Word, who will lead all nations.

We await the One who will guide us in Peace.

Let us – in peace – kindle the light of the Lord.

Come to the Light (vs. 1)

Scottish Folk Melody



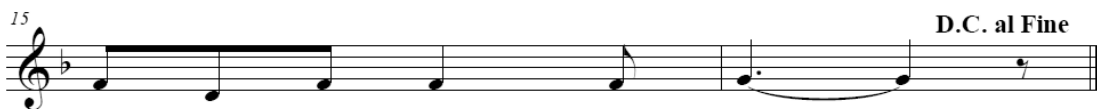
Come to the Light, the can - dle of hope, ev - ery-one gath - er near. ___
Come to the Light, the can - dle of peace, put a - way doubt and fear. ___



Come to the Light and warm in its glow, Je - sus will soon be here. This is the time,
Come to the Light, each bur - den re - lease, Je - sus will soon be here.



this is the place, wor - ship with joy - ful praise. Lift up your voice, sing and re - joice,



o - pen your heart to grace. _____

TIME WITH CHILDREN SLEEPING IN HEAVENLY PEACE

* HYMN NO. 136 *Christians All, Your Lord Is Coming* (vs. 1 and 4) PLEADING SAVIOR

FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

A BIDDING PRAYER and the Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

* OPENING HYMN NO. 165 *Once in Royal David's City* IRBY
Choirs and Congregation

FIRST LESSON Genesis 3:8-15

ANTHEM *Nun Komm der Heiden Heiland* Arr. by John Behnke
(Savior of the Nations Come)
Handbell Choir

SECOND LESSON Genesis 22:15-18

ANTHEM *The God of Abraham Praise* Daniel ben Judah, 14th century
Tenors and Basses Chorus Hebrew melody

THIRD LESSON Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

CAROL *Emmanuel, Emmanuel* Bob McGee
Vocal Violin Duet
Cathy Moore and Jackie Martin

FOURTH LESSON Isaiah 11:1-4a, 6-9

* HYMN NO. 160 *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* German Carol, 15th century
Congregation and Choirs Melody Arr. by Praetorius
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FIFTH LESSON Luke 1:26-35, 38

CAROL *The Angel Gabriel* Basque Carol; Arr. by J.R. Howell
Women's Chorus

SIXTH LESSON Luke 2:1-7

CAROL *Fum, Fum, Fum* Traditional Catalonian Carol
Youth Choir Plus Arr. By John D. Miller

INVITATION TO SHARE

Offertory

Mary, Did You Know

M. Lowry and B. Greene

Instrumental Duet

Arr. by Lloyd Larson

Susie Amrhein, Flute; Cathy Moore Clarinet

Response (sung to the tune of "In the Bleak Midwinter")

**What can I give him, Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man, I would do my part;
Yet what I can I give him - Give my heart.**

Prayer of Dedication

SEVENTH LESSON

Luke 2:8-16

CAROL

Angel Song: Glory to the Newborn King
Senior Choir

Patricia Mock and
Jon Paige

EIGHTH LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12

CAROL

We Three Kings of Orient Are
Piano Solo, Judy Fiegel

John Henry Hopkins
Arr. by Dan Coates

NINTH LESSON

John 1:1-14

CAROL

Silent Night, Holy Night
Senior Choir and Youth Choir Plus
American Sign Language Interpreter: Lillian Diuble

Words: Joseph Mohr
Music: Granz Gruber

* BENEDICTION

R: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

R: Let us pray.

All: O God, who makes us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ; grant that as we joyfully receive the Word made flesh as our redeemer, we may one day with sure confidence behold the Son of righteousness, who will come to be our judge; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

* RECESSIONAL HYMN (insert)

Savior of the Nations, Come
Congregation and Choirs

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

* DISMISSAL

And let all of God's people say,
AMEN!

POSTLUDE

From Heaven Above
(Von Himmel Hoch)

V. Schumann, 1529
Arr. by D. Schack

* Indicates those who are able please stand

✠ Please fill out the pew pad. In order that we may best serve your spiritual needs, please use the prayer request cards in the pew rack and place them in the offering

Bold Indicates congregational response

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Savior of the Nations, Come

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

George J. Elvey

Words: Martin Luther

Sav - ior of the na - tions, come, Vir - gin's Son, make here Your home.
You, the cho - sen Hol - ly One, Have o'er sin the vic - tory won.

5
Mar - vel now, O heaven and earth, That the Lord chose such a birth.
Bound - less shall Your king - dom be; When shall we its glo - ries see?

9
From the God - head forth You came, And re - turn un - to the same.
Bright - ly does Your man - ger shine, Glo - rious is its light di - vine.

13
Cap - tive lead - ing death and hell. High the song of tri - umph swell!
Let not sin o'er - cloud this light; Ev - er be our faith thus bright.

FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS PRESENTERS

Director: Julie Roberts
Readers: Paul Heimerdinger and Jennifer Heimerdinger
Signing: Lillian Diuble
Accompanist: Mary Sue Moore

CHORUS

Instrumentalists: Susie Amrhein, Flute Judy Fiegel, Piano
Jackie Martin, Violin Cathy Moore, Clarinet

Handbell Choir:

Amanda Eisenmann Jean Martin Cathy Moore
Sula Horodeczny Cat Meyer Emily St. Charles
Judy Laberde James Meyer Lora Wiedmayer

Senior Choir:

David Bucholtz Susan Mann Jody Munson
Angela Diuble Jackie Martin Linda Perkins
Katie Farr Jean Martin Catherine Roberts
Don Hieber Bonnie Mitchell Earl Roehm
Duane Kuebler Cathy Moore Lyle Wahl
Susan Luckhardt

Youth Choir Plus:

Angela Fiegel Duane Kuebler Megan Mann
Judy Fiegel Jacob Mann Rebecca Mann
Valorie Hieber Jeff Mann Serenity Spinks
Siera Jedele Jessica Mann Evelyn St. Charles
Sydney Jedele

PRAYER REQUESTS

In the spirit of Christian love, remember these people and their families
in your thoughts and prayers – not only today, but throughout the coming week.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>
November 18	Yonnie Maziarz.....	Emily St. Charles
	Mack and Sharon McMurray	Emily St. Charles
November 25	Debbie Farbrother	Nancy Loudin
	Cody Simpson.....	Denise Davis
	Lisa Wolff.....	Jennifer Heimerdinger and Linda Wolff
December 2	Dean Amrhein	Susie Amrhein
	Carole Baker.....	Bonnie Mitchell
	Ron Herrst.....	Carol Colby
	Mike Miller	Nancy Loudin
	Liam Riley.....	Karen Weidmayer
	Will Riley.....	Karen Weidmayer
	Turner Russell.....	Michelle Roberts
	Joe Turk	Nancy Loudin
	Family of Gerry Zapolnik	Linda Perkins
December 9	Family of Kevin Bechler	Scott Diuble
	Glenda Capps.....	Emily St. Charles
	Clock Getty Family	Sandy DeRossett
	Diane Jordan	Emily St. Charles
	Jeannette McDonald	Cathy Moore
	Family of Evie Seegert.....	Pastor Bucholtz
	Chuck Varney	Nancy Loudin

Those Serving Our Country

Sept. 25, 2010	Gy-Sgt. Evan Wahl, U.S. Marines	Lyle Wahl
Jan. 13, 2013	Zachary Steelman, 101 st Airborne, U.S. Army	
April 3, 2016	Kyle Braun, U.S. Marines	Harvey & Marcella Luckhardt
Oct. 8, 2017	Henry Arbogast, U.S. Navy	Darlene Kuebler
Sept. 2, 2018	Willie Day, U.S. Navy Seals.....	Jody Munson

EVENTS TODAY

- 8:15 a.m.** Festival of Lessons & Carols rehearsal
9:30 a.m. Worship - Festival of Lessons & Carols
10:30 a.m.- 12:15 p.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. German cookie sales
11:00 a.m. Board of Christian Education meeting
3:00 p.m. Christmas Caroling
3:00 p.m. Youth Ministry invited to join caroling in lieu of a meeting



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mon., Dec. 10 **6:30-7:15 p.m.** Children's Choir rehearsal
 6:30-7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir rehearsal
 7:30 p.m. Praise Choir rehearsal
Tues., Dec. 11 **9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** Bethel Quilters
Wed., Dec. 12 **12:00 p.m.** All-Church Christmas Potluck sponsored by
 Women of Bethel. Please bring a dish to pass.
 6:45 p.m. Church Board meeting
 Newsletter articles are due
Sat., Dec. 15 **6:30 p.m.** Alpha House Family Shelter
Sun., Dec. 16 **9:30 a.m.** Worship
 10:30 a.m. German cookie sales
 10:30 p.m. Youth Ministry meeting
 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Sunday School
 5:00 p.m. Sunday School Christmas Program. Cookie
 reception to follow.
Mon., Dec. 17 **6:00 p.m.** Children's Choir rehearsal
 6:30 p.m. Choir & Ensembles Potluck
 7:30 p.m. Handbell and Senior Choir rehearsals
Tues., Dec. 18 **9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** Bethel Quilters
Sun., Dec. 23 **9:30 a.m.** Worship
 No Sunday School
 No Youth Ministry meeting

IN THE COMMUNITY

- Thurs., Dec. 13 **10:30 a.m.** Ecumenical Bible Study at Emanuel UCC
Thurs., Dec. 20 **7:00-9:00 p.m.** Live Nativity at Emanuel UCC
Fri., Dec. 21 **7:00-9:00 p.m.** Live Nativity at Emanuel UCC

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Minister: Rev. David Bucholtz
Music Director: Mary Sue Moore
Greeters: Toby, Renee, Victoria, Lillian, Evelyn, and Owen St. Charles
Ushers: Dave Herter, Jim Burmeister, Rudy Layher, Lynn Strobbe, and Stephen Strobbe
Acolyte: Peyton Klein
Advent Wreath: 7th Grade Sunday School Class
Lay Readers: Paul and Jennifer Heimerdinger
Child Care: Victoria St. Charles and Karsyn Klein
Altar Flowers: Given by Lyle Wahl in memory of Rudy and Wilma Wahl



ALL-CHURCH CHRISTMAS POTLUCK

Wednesday, December 12th at 12:00 p.m.

Please bring a dish to pass



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, December 16th at 5:00 p.m.

Live from Bethel It's Christmas Night!!

Following the program, join us for a cookie reception
in the Reineck Fellowship Hall



Come celebrate the joy of Christmas this year
at Bethel Church

December 24th Christmas Eve

Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion
5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Please bring a friend!

