

A child has been born for us!
Isaiah 9:6

Let the earth rejoice!
Psalm 96:11

The grace of God has appeared!
Titus 2:11

She gave birth! **Luke 2:7**

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Rev. Gusti Linnea Newquist

Assistants

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Dianne Holliman

Pianist/Choir Director

Georgiann Toole

Offertory

Bob Sykes

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Bill Rule
Vicki Smith
Rie Wilson
Carol Wood

Handbells

Julie Gibson

Tech Support

Mark Nutwell

Gathering Music

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”

Georgiann Toole, Piano

“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

Dianne Holliman, Organ

“Mary, Did You Know?”

Wanda Stewart, Soloist

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Introit

“Come Now, O Prince of Peace”

Call to Worship

Musical Meditation

“’Twas in the Moon of Wintertime”

Lesson

John 1:1-6, Genesis 1:3

Lighting the Christ Candle

***Carol**

“Joy to the World”

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Lesson

Luke 2:1-7

Carol

“Away in a Manger”

Lesson

Luke 2:8-12

Carol

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

Lesson

Luke 2:13-15

***Carol**

“Hark, the Herald Angels Sing”

Lesson

Luke 2:15-18

***Carol**

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

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Reading

Interlude

“What Child Is This?”

Meditation

“Hope Labors On”

Lesson

Luke 2:19-21

***Carol**

“Born in the Night, Mary’s Child”

† † †

Psalm of an Emerging Emmanuel

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

Bob Sykes, piano

Benediction

***Response**

“Silent Night, Holy Night!”

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Postlude

“O Holy Night”

Hope is like the sun, which, as we journey toward it, casts the shadow of our burden behind us.
Samuel Smiles

And sometimes, against all odds, against all logic, we still hope.
Ellen Pompeo

Hope is born again in the faces of children.
Maya Angelou

If there’s life, there’s hope.
Stephen Hawking

**Please rise in body and spirit.*

Lessons Translation

New Revised
Standard Version

Gospel of John Translation

King James Version

Psalm of an Emerging Emmanuel

Edward Hays

Poinsettias Donated by

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+Hymns

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The Nativity of Jesus
Christmas Eve

December 24, 2021
8:00 p.m..

Friday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)

5:00 p.m. Family Service in Sanctuary and Facebook Live!

8:00 p.m. Service of Lessons and Carols in Sanctuary and Facebook Live!

11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion in Sanctuary

Saturday, December 25 - Christmas Day, Happy Birthday Jesus!

Dawn: Isaiah 62:6-12; Psalm 97; Titus 3:4-7; Luke 2:(1-7) 8-20

Day: Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalm 98; Hebrews 1:1-4 [5-12]; John 1:1-14

December 26 • First Sunday of Christmastide

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26; Psalm 148; Colossians 3:12-17; Luke 2:41-52

No 8:30 a.m. Service of Worship

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship - Sanctuary and Facebook Live!

No Sunday Studio

Tuesday, December 28

Church Office Closed

Thursday, December 30

6:00 p.m. Super Gay Trivia via Zoom

Friday, December 31

Church Office Closed

9:00 a.m. Friday Painters Group - Fellowship Hall

Saturday, January 1

Happy New Year!

CHRISTMAS OFFERING received through December 31: Coalfield Development Corporation (WV) and VERBO (Nicaragua). Indicate "Christmas Offering" in the memo line of your check or in the comment section when you click Give on the SPC web site.

Pastor Gusti will be taking a combination of vacation and study leave from Sunday, December 26 - January 8, 2022. Debbie Romano will be available for Pastoral Care.

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Ring Out, Wild Bells

Ring out the want, the care the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes,
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease,
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

Alfred, Lord Tennyson

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