

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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> WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30 am Traditional

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# **First United Methodist Church**

Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors. December 24, 2022 – 5:00 P.M. Christmas Eve

(\* Stand, if able.)

# **MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS**

**WELCOME** This is the night of the Holy Birth!

\*CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsively)

Liturgist: Holy One, you have appeared in the flesh. Your glory is made known in this newborn child.

People: Tonight, we sing a new song of endless peace. Gift of God, beautiful Christ-child, we welcome you! Let love be born anew in our hearts on this joyous night.

<b>*OPENING HYMN</b> "The Carol of the Drum" See in
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# \*OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

Holy God, in days of old you sent your angels to tell shepherds the good news: "To you is born this day a Savior, the Messiah, the Lord." Holy God, help us hear with the shepherds this good news, that we too may glorify and praise you for all that we have seen and heard. Amen.

**GREETING ONE ANOTHER** saying "Merry Christmas!"

# LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

"Light the Advent Candle" (verse 5) TFWS # 2090 Light the Christmas candle now: Sing of donkey, sheep, and cow; Birthday candles for the King, let the alleluias ring. Candle, candle burning bright, Shining in the cold winter night; Candle, candle burning bright, Fill our hearts with Christmas light.

READING ONE	Isaiah 9:2-3, 6-7	Liturgist		
VOCAL SPECIAL MUSIC	"Sweet Little Jesus Boy"	Kerry Coward		

# **DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS**

READING TWO:	Luke 2:8-14	Liturgist
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Liturgist

**VIOLIN SPECIAL MUSIC** "Jesus, Sweet Messiah with Away in a Manger" Jaime Servando

#### MESSAGE

#### "BUSYNESS"

Pastor Yohan Baek

#### Sermon Notes

- Note 1: a) when He opened the wise men's gifts
  - b) whenever babies usually cried, c) when the cattle started lowing
  - d) "No crying He makes" e) Who knows?

Note 2: Luke 2:7

While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born. She gave birth to her first born, a son, and she wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was <u>no room</u> for them in the inn."

## Note 3: Because the innkeeper was <u>so busy with his own business</u>, he <u>missed the biggest blessing of his life</u>!

# Note 4: BUSYNESS can fill your schedule. BUSYNESS can fill your thoughts. And <u>it will fracture your family and health</u>.

Note 5: "All of men's problems come from his inability to sit still."

SPECIAL VOCAL MUSIC	"Ave Maria"	Felicia Graves
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#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

Communion Prayer: O Lord, who came and dwelled in a stable many years ago, come now and dwell in this bread and cup. Feed our souls on holy food. Lord, Receive us here in our brokenness and need. Teach us new songs to sing and show us a new world to serve, when we have eaten and drunk. O Lord, let mystery rise among us like smoke from burning wicks. Speak to us through bread and cup and stir us to new devotion. For the sake of your holy name. Amen. GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

# CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

HYMN	"Silent Night"	UMH # 239
*BENEDICTION		Pastor Yohan Baek
<b>*SENDING HYMN</b>	"Joy to the World" (verses 1 and 4)	UMH # 246

**\*POSTLUDE** "Hallelujah Chorus"

UMH (The United Methodist Hymnal – red hymnal) TFWS (The Faith We Sing – black hymnal)

#### WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Yohan Baek, Pastor Tiffany Charles, Director of Children's Ministry & Mother's Day Out Clayton Cobb, Liturgist Jeeyoung Baek, Pianist Julia Coward, Nursery Director & Children's Church Robert & Tenny Swonke, Greeters Claudene Griffith, Communion Server Kerry Coward, Soloist Jaime Servando, Violinist Felicia Graves, Soloist

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#### **Our Mission Statement:**

We envision a church where people build a relationship with God and each other. Relationships transform everything!

Merry Chrístmas!