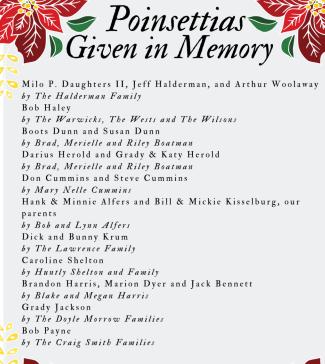


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# December 24, 2020

# **First United Methodist Church McKinney**

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### WELCOME

### PRELUDE

"O Holy Night", Adolfe Adam Leonardo Quintana, tenor

O holy night, the stars are brightly shining. It is the night of the dear Savior's birth; Long lay the world in sin and error pining. till He appeared and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices, for yonder breaks the new and glorious morn: Fall on your knees, O hear the angel voices! O night divine, O night when Christ was born. Led by the light of faith serenely beaming, with glowing hearts by His cradle we stand. Led by a star, above them brightly gleaming, appeared the wise men from far Eastern land. The King of Kings lay in a lowly manger, to us this day is born to be our God: Fall on your knees, O hear the angel voices, O night divine, O night when Christ was born.

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Unto us a child is born. O come, let us adore Him. Unto us a Son is given. O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

**HYMN** No. 234 v. 1. 2. 3. 4 & 6 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

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; *refrain* 

### Refrain:

O come. let us adore him. O come. let us adore him. O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

True God of true God, Light from Light Eternal, lo, he shuns not the Virgin's womb: Son of the Father, begotten. not created; Refrain

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation; O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory to God, all glory in the highest; *Refrain* 

See how the shepherds, summoned to his cradle, leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze; we too will thither bend our joyful footsteps; *Refrain* 

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning, Jesus, to thee be all glory given. Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing; Refrain

### LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

We light a candle for hope. We light a candle for love. We light a candle for joy. We light a candle for peace. We light a candle for Jesus, the baby born in a manger, the light of the world. The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has never overcome it.

#### **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Glory to God in the highest. Peace on earth, good will to all.

#### **PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### OFFERING

Our Christmas Eve offering will go to mission and outreach ministries including our new church in Melissa.

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"For Unto Us a Child is Born" (from *Messiah*) ANTHEM George Frideric Handel Octet from Chancel Choir

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given. and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

**HYMN** No. 218

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old, from angels bending near the earth, to touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth, good will to all, from heaven's all-gracious King." The world in solemn stillness lay, to hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come with peaceful wings unfurled, and still their heavenly music floats o'er all the wary world; above its sad and lowly plains, they bend on hovering wing, and ever o'er its Babel sounds the blessed angels sing.

And ye, beneath life's crushing load, whose forms are bending low, who toil along the climbing way with painful steps and slow, look now! For glad and golden hours come swiftly on the wing. O rest beside the weary road, and hear the angels sing!

For lo! The days are hastening on, by prophet seen of old, when with the ever-circling years shall come the time foretold when peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendors fling, and the whole world send back the song which now the angels sing.

#### SCRIPTURE

This is the Word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.

"This Holy Night" Dr. Thomas O. Brumett Sermon

#### SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION Page 15 The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

#### It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

...And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

#### Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

...All honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

Amen.

### LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES HYMN No. 239 "Silent Night"

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 thy light; with the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our king; Christ the Savior is born. Christ the Savior is born!

### BENEDICTION

**CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION** "Peace, Peace" Peace, peace, peace on earth and goodwill to all. This is a time for joy. This is a time for love. Now let us all sing together of peace, peace, peace on earth.

POSTLUDE "Improvisation on Joy to the World" John Emory Bush, Organist

# Christmas Eve

Newsletter

## **KEEP IN TOUCH**

Luke 2:1-20

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