

HYMN 253

“Silent Night, Holy Night”

UNISON PRAYER

God of power and might, you are beyond all time and space. May we never fail to recognize your holy majesty, and praise your name in all we do. Amen

†HYMN 270

“Joy to the World!”

†BENEDICTION

†POSTLUDE

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

arr. Dello Joio

† Please stand as you are comfortable.



Serving this evening

Readers: The Hawk/Hayes Family

Advent Candle Lighters: David, Jennifer, Oliver, and Tilly Sekorky

Greeters: The Costin-Barry Family

Director of Music: Tom Foley

Associate Director of Music: Mike Elkins

Organ: Sharon Heinrich

Vocalists: Sharon Metivier, Tyler Martin, Sandy O’Shea

Tambourine: Clay Williams, Drums: Rob Toth

Flute: Lisa Heinrich

**The United Church of Christ
(Congregational)**

Christmas Eve

**Family Service
of Lessons and Carols**



**Tuesday, December 24, 2019
7:00 p.m.**

The United Church of Christ (Congregational)
Rev. Heidi Denman McDougall, Pastor
Christmas Eve Worship 7p.m.

PRELUDE "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" arr. Dello Joio

INTROIT "What Child is This?" Traditional English Melody
Sandy O'Shea, vocalist

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Tonight, we come to glorify God, rejoicing with all Creation in the birth of the Savior.

People: God comes, so we might believe, and be blessed.

Leader: Our hearts leap for joy, for God is coming to us as a child.

People: God comes for those who hunger for hope, and for those who thirst for grace.

Leader: Holy is the One who comes in God's name, fulfilling every promise of God.

People: God comes to walk with those who follow in faith, to bring peace to our shattered world.

† **HYMN 249** "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

FIRST LESSON Genesis 1 excerpts

HYMN 278 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

UNISON PRAYER

Lord of all that is, we are grateful for the beauty and diversity of Creation.
Fill our hearts with your love and mercy. Amen.

SECOND LESSON Jeremiah 23:5-6

HYMN 286 "Once in Royal David's City"

UNISON PRAYER

Lord, you have promised that your reign would be a time of never-ending justice and peace. May we have the courage to bring your justice in our time. Amen.

THIRD LESSON Isaiah 11:1, 6-8

HYMN 262 "Away in a Manger"

UNISON PRAYER

Lord, we eagerly wait for the day of your perfect peace. May we work together for peace, in our hearts, in our families and in our world. Amen.

FOURTH LESSON Isaiah 9:2-6

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLES The Sekorky Family

Reader: Rejoice, O people of God! The light of Christ has come into the world!

Reader: With all the company of heaven, with sounds of great joy, you have come into the world. Tonight is a time for celebration. As we light the Christ candle, let us sing together, "Good Christian Men, Rejoice!"

HYMN 273 "Good Christian Men, Rejoice!"

FIFTH LESSON Luke 2:8-14

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Pastor Heidi

OFFERING OFFERTORY "Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming" Praetorious

SONG "O Holy Night" Adam
Tyler Martin and Sharon Metivier, vocalists

SIXTH LESSON Luke 2:1-7

HYMN 277 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

UNISON PRAYER

Lord, you came to us as an innocent, vulnerable baby. Help us to show love and care to the most vulnerable among us, every day. Amen.

SEVENTH LESSON John 1:1-4, 14

PASSING THE LIGHT



**To the Glory of God,
the poinsettias are given...**

*In memory of our parents Rev. K.M. Mathew and Mrs. Mathew
and Dr. K.M. Thomas and Mrs. Thomas*
Rev. Oommen and Leela Thomas

*In loving memory of my husband, Jack
In celebration of Family and Friends*
Barbara White

*In loving memory of Chris and Karen Morgan
In loving memory of Richard and Kathleen Zielinski*
The Zielinski Family

*With special thanks to the anonymous donor whose generosity
provided funds for extra music and musicians*
The Music Committee



*Special thoughts & prayers for all our loved ones living and deceased and for those
who can't be with their families. Happy Birthday, O Holy One!*
The Abruzzino/Krisak Familia

In loving memory of Jane & John Barbish and Rose & Frank Kapcar, Sr.
Teri and Gary Barbish

*In honor of our children and grandchildren: Brandt, Gelin, and Aidan Camp
and Abby, Hunter, and Hannah Colao*
Mark and Barbara Camp

*Merry Christmas to my parents, Bill and Dorothy Ritchie
In memory of my grandparents, Pete & Edna Lansell and Leroy & Rasha Ritchie*
Gina Cathcart

*In memory of Gordon Cockrell,
Harry and Kathryn Johnson, Harold and Wava Cockrell*
Kathryn Cockrell and family

In loving memory of family and friends
Jim and Linda Dettmer

In loving memory of Bill Fraunfelder and Don & Betty Bushea
Barb Fraunfelder

In memory of our parents and grandparents, Donald & Betty Babics
The Gigliotti and Kubancik Families

*In loving memory of Don and Lois Winch
In loving memory of Bill and Ruth Giuliano*
Bill, Beth, Nicole, and Luke Giuliano

In memory of Lois A. Hampson
Herb Hampson

In loving memory of Charles and Thelma Hawk
In loving memory of Richard Mack
Dale and Cathy Hawk

*In loving memory of Aimee J. Jannsohn, Eric R. Jannsohn,
Michael E. Dickson, and Brooke M. Akins*
The Jannsohn-Dickson-Joyce Family

In loving memory of Erik O. Jannsohn and Mary Joyce-Smith & James J. Joyce, Sr.
The Joyce-Jannsohn-Dickson Family

Merry Christmas, Trevor and Abby!
Love, Aunt Sarah Keenen

To All the Members of the Church
Bonnie Khavaran

In loving memory of Gale, Rich, and all who have completed their journeys
Pastor Heidi and Chuck McDougall

In loving memory of all our loved ones
Lola (Szucs) Millhoane

In loving memory of Susan Stevenson Tressa
In honor of Tom Foley, Sharon Heinrich, and Mike Elkins
The Music Ministry

In honor of Judy & Bill Munshower Mom & Dad)
Merry Christmas!
Love you both, Kelley

In loving memory of Joyce Oerkfitz and Richard Churnega
In loving memory of Harold and Mabel Hamblin and John and Clara Oerkfitz
With love, Kenn and Ginny Oerkfitz



*In loving memory of Bernice Cooper, Tad and Gen Thorn,
Rich & Susan Stevenson Tressa, Leah Tressa, Mike Lucan, and Charlie Garner*
Sandy O'Shea, Schyler, Devin, and Doug Thorn

*In memory of our parents, John and Bonnie Couchey
and James and Anna Pavisich*
George and Judi Pavisich

*In memory of our family members, George Reed, Sr. and Marie Wolf
and Paul and Eileen Mlincek, Dale Mlincek, and George Patterson*
Joyce and George Reed

In loving memory of Pete and Edna Lansell
In loving memory of LeRoy and Rusha Ritchie
Bill and Dorothy Ritchie

In loving memory of our grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Clements
In loving memory of our parents, Roger and Lorna Robinson
In loving memory of our aunt, Rhea Clements
Becky and Bill Robinson

*In memory of our loved ones who have gone before us—
always in our hearts*
Giner and Ron Rothel

In memory of Pat and Dutch Schultz
In memory of Richard Washington
Patty Sasala

Celebrating our children and grandchildren
Bev Wehr and Ken Mehalko