Church of the Good Shepherd
United Methodist

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December 24, 2022 **5:00 p.m.**

FAMILY CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

As we prepare for worship, let us be in prayer and meditation.
Please "Check In" on a social media, then set all electronic devices to the silent mode.

Prelude "The First Noel" arr. Paige
Stephen Cook, Organ

Pastoral Welcome *Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin*

***Congregational Hymn** "O Come All Ye Faithful" *(Vs. 1-3, 6)* **# 234**

Children's Choir Anthem "Do You Hear What I Hear" Regney & Shayne
Children's Choir; Diane Lucas, Director; Janice Clark, Piano

Lighting the Christ Candle *(Responsive in **Bold**)*

Christmas is here! Our Advent wreath is complete. Tonight we light the Christ Candle, reminding us that He is the light of the world, the center of our lives, the shining beacon of hope for all creation.

Gracious God, we thank you for the light of Christ which shines brightly. May this light shine in our lives so that people around us might see your glory, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

The Lord's Prayer *(Unison)*

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.

Youth Bell Choir Anthem "Veni Emmanuel" arr. Wissinger
Youth Bell Choir; Carolyn Noonchester, Director

Christmas Message to the Families *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

Youth Choir Anthem "Carols Around" by Carl J. Nygard, Jr.
Youth Choir; Janice Clark, Director; Franklyn Shen, Piano

The Pageant

In the Beginning
The Historic Family of Israel – The Census
A Family of God's Creatures – The Animals

Congregational Hymn "Away in a Manger" *(vs. 1 & 2)* **# 217**

The Family of Mary and Joseph
The Angelic and Earthly Family – Angels, Shepherds, and Wise Men

Combined Children's Choir/Youth Choir/Youth Bells Song
"Sing We Now of Christmas'"
Children's, Youth, and Youth Bell Choirs; Lucas, Clark, and Noonchester, Directors; Franklyn Shen, Piano

***Blessing/Benediction**

***Youth and Children's Choirs Start with:** "Peace, Peace" by Rick & Sylvia Powell

***Our Response** **Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright.** **# 239**
Round yon virgin, mother and child.
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

***Congregational Hymn** "Joy to the World" **# 246**

***Sending Forth** "O Come, All Ye Faithful" arr. Young
Stephen Cook, Organ

**Congregation standing, if able.*

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY PAGEANT

CAST AND CREW

Acolyte: Kevin Shyam

Narration:
Voiceover – Miranda Richenberger
Narrator 1 – Mackenzie Rios
Narrator 2 - Kathleen Ng
Narrator 3 – Jackson Hisey
Narrator 4 - Sarah Veeraraj
Narrator 5 – Emily Bulgin
Narrator 6- Hannah Ng
Narrator 7 - Daisylin Lazaro
Narrator 8 – Elle Quismorio

Census Takers: Josie Malone, Desi Derrick McGlynn, Amber Pattison, and Phoenix Stanley

Bear: Eaton Li
Teenage Camel: Dana Yip and Nathan Yip
Cow: Katie Lee
Donkey: Jowin Shyam
Giraffe: Joanna DeClerk

Holy Family:
Mary, Joseph, Toddler Shepherd, and Baby Jesus: Mary Ann Geis, Jason Geis, Ryan Geis, and Matthew Geis

Angels:
Lead Angel: Olivia Bulgin
Angels: Ella DeClerk, Paris DeJesus, Ian Li, Lindsey Luo, Sabina Malone, Mattea Derrick McGlynn, Helen Pei, Savannah Young, Angela Zhang, and Annie Zhang

Shepherds:
Head Shepherd: William Shen
Shepherds: Bryan Guo, Morgan Noonchester, Felix Wang, James Young

Sheep: Wesley Blair-Schwab, James Luo, Logan Noonchester, and Auden Derrick McGlynn

Wise Men:
Melchior: Nicholas Ng
Balthazar: Felix Veeraraj
Gaspar: Jacob Ruiz

Music written and arranged by: Janice Clark

Music: Franklyn Shen

Choreographer: Miranda Richenberger

Sound: Jeffrey Doran, Eric McCann and Kevin Snavely
Stage Crew: Harper Malone and Maya Malone
Assistant Directors: Sarah Reynolds, Caitlyn Shen, and Stephanie Shen
Props: UMW Crafters Group
Costumes: Dawn Arnold, Cindy Ostry, Heather Reynolds, Cindy Snavely, and Lynne Whitaker

Merry Christmas!

Please remember to sign the attendance pad.

Thank you to everyone who ordered a poinsettia to help beautify our worship centers at this special time of the year. If you purchased a plant, or had one ordered in your honor, you may pick it up following the 9:00 p.m. Worship Services later tonight. Plants which are not picked up will be given to our homebound church community on December 26.

Tomorrow, Christmas morning, the 10:00 a.m. Service will be a Carol Sing-Along. Children are invited to bring one toy to be blessed and they may wear their pajamas to church!

The Worship Service on January 1, 2023, has been cancelled. We will see everyone on January 8, for Worship and Holy Communion at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

Please remember the Church in your will.

Ministers: Members of the Congregation
Resident Bishop: Bishop Grant J. Hagiya
District Superintendent: Siosaia Tuitahi
Pastor: Eva Thai-Erwin
Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry: Franklyn Shen
Director of Music Ministry: Stephen Cook
Director of the Good Shepherd Children's Center: Linda Brown

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