

**Memorial United Methodist Church
Christmas Eve - December 24, 2017 at 8pm**

A special welcome to our guests. Your visit is a blessing to us, and we are glad you are here!

Please let us know if there is anything we can do for you.

Hearing assistance (headphones, earbud, or T-coil) is available during worship.

** Please stand in your heart or posture. UMH=United Methodist Hymnal.*

LITURGY OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

PRELUDE	<i>O Holy Night</i>	by Dan Miller
* PROCESSIONAL HYMN	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i>	UMH 234
GOD WITH US, EMMANUEL: A Candle Lighting Ceremony for Advent by Joel Raney		
* CALL TO WORSHIP	During our Advent journey we've anticipated the coming Savior. Joy to the world, the Lord has come! We've anticipated the One who is called Wonderful Counselor. Joy to the world, the Lord has come! We've anticipated the One who is called Mighty King. Joy to the world, the Lord has come! We've anticipated the One who is called Prince of Peace. Joy to the world, the Lord has come! We've anticipated the One who is called Everlasting Father. Joy to the world, the Lord has come! Tonight our waiting is over as we celebrate the One who is Emmanuel, our God, who is with us. Joy to the world, the Lord has come!	
* LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE	The King Family	
* CHORAL RESPONSE (see back page)	Congregation, Chancel Choir	
* PRAYER	Gracious Lord, throughout this Advent season we have come to know you by many names. Tonight as we celebrate your birth, we thank you for being our Emmanuel. Remind us that no matter where we are, or where we've been, you are with us. We gather in the glory of this night to welcome you as Savior and Lord. We pray this in the wonderful name of Christ, our Lord. Amen.	
THE BIDDING PRAYER		
THE LORD'S PRAYER		
BLESSING		
CAROL	<i>Of the Father's Love Begotten</i>	UMH 184
FIRST LESSON	Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19	
CAROL	<i>Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus</i>	UMH 196
SECOND LESSON	Genesis 22:15-18	

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Fourth Sunday of Advent-December 24, 2017**

CAROL	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i>	UMH 211, v. 1, 2, 4, 7
THIRD LESSON	Isaiah 9:2, 6-7	
CAROL	<i>Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming</i>	UMH 216, v. 1, 2
FOURTH LESSON	Isaiah 11:1-4, 6-9	
CAROL	<i>O Little Town of Bethlehem</i>	UMH 230
FIFTH LESSON	Luke 1:26-35, 38	
CAROL	<i>To a Maid Engaged to Joseph</i>	UMH 215
SIXTH LESSON	Luke 2:1-7	
CAROL	<i>The First Noel</i>	UMH 245
SEVENTH LESSON	Luke 2:8-16	
CAROL	<i>Infant Holy, Infant Lowly</i>	UMH 229
EIGHTH LESSON	Matthew 2:1-11	
CAROL	<i>We Three Kings</i>	UMH 254
NINTH LESSON	John 1:1-14	
ANTHEM	<i>We Sing the Song of Christmas</i>	by Dudley-Smith/Larson
MESSAGE	<i>God's Enduring Love</i>	Rev. William C. Maisch
OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS		
OFFERTORY	<i>The Wexford Carol</i>	by Mark Hayes
*DOXOLOGY	<i>In the Bleak Midwinter</i>	UMH 221, v. 4
GREAT THANKSGIVING	Word and Table Service II	UMH page 12
	<i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i>	UMH 206
	<i>Love Came Down at Christmas</i>	UMH 242
	<i>Joy to the World</i>	UMH 246
	<i>There's a Song in the Air</i>	UMH 249
	<i>He is Born</i>	UMH 228
THE LORD'S PRAYER		
ANTHEM- MEN'S CHOIR	<i>All Is Well</i>	by Kirkpatrick/Smith/Larson
DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING		
POSTLUDE	<i>Angels We Have Heard On High</i>	by Dale Wood

Congregation Response

God with Us, Emmanuel

A Candle Lighting Ceremony for Advent

Words and Music by
JOEL RANEY

Congregation:

Ev - er - last - ing Fa - ther, Prince of Peace,
Won - der - ful Coun - se - lor, Al - might - y God.
Em - man - u - el, Em - man - u - el. God with
us, Em - man - u - el.

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Daily Scripture Readings

Sun., Dec. 24 - **MATTHEW 5:14-16**
Christmas Eve

Mon., Dec. 25 - **MATTHEW 5:43-48**
Christmas Day

Tue., Dec. 26 - **PSALM 16:7-11**
Lots of Living to Do

Wed., Dec. 27 - **PSALM 107:1-8**
A Moving Experience

Thu., Dec. 28 - **COLOSSIANS 3:12-17**
Christmas is Not Over

Fri., Dec. 29 - **JEREMIAH 29:10-14**
Still Loving and Caring

Sat., Dec. 30 - **PHILIPPIANS 1:20-22**
The Focal Point

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Upcoming Happenings

SUN - DEC 24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	4pm - 5pm 8pm - 9pm	Christmas Eve Family Worship Christmas Eve Traditional Worship
MON - FRI DEC 25 TO 29	All Activities Cancelled	
SUN - DEC 31 <i>Epiphany</i>	9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am	Sunday School Worship Service
MON - JAN 1	9am 7:30pm - 9pm	Bulletin Deadline Bell Choir Rehearsal-CANCELLED
TUE - JAN 2	7:30pm - 9pm	Men's Group Meeting
WED - JAN 3	5pm - 6pm 7:30pm - 9pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal
SUN - JAN 7 <i>Baptism of the Lord</i>	9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am	Sunday School Worship Service