

Morning Worship and Celebration

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Fourth Sunday in Advent

9:30 a.m., December 20, 2009

Come Ye Faithful – A Christmas Cantata by Joseph Martin

Mini Concert Carol Medley: *O Come Emmanuel, Coventry Carol, Of the Father's Love Begotten, What Child is This?*
Carolyn Kuban, harp

Carol Prelude AUMC Orchestra & Carolyn Cline, organ

Choral Introit *On This Day, Earth Shall Ring*

***Processional Hymn** *O Come, All Ye Faithful* #234
vss. 1 & 4 congregation; vs. 2 Tammie Lohner, solo; vs.3 Choir

Welcome and Community Focus

Lighting the Advent Candle: The Candle of Peace

The Sacrament of Baptism

Abigail Rose Renner, child of Don and Jennifer Renner

Congregational Response: (Kahlil Gibran)

Leader: Your children are not your children. They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for itself. They come through you but not from you. And though they are with you yet they belong not to you.

People: There is nothing more important than the children of the world. Children are God's affirmation of the future; they enliven our present and bring the promise of tomorrow. May something of our lives be a positive influence upon this child. May we provide a place where she may learn that life can be trusted. May we support her family in their journey toward wholeness, and may our church be a safe and creative environment for all children.

Hymn of Response *Star Child vss 1 & 5* TFWS #2095

Children are invited to go to Sunday School as we sing this. Teachers will be at the back.

Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Reading *Witnesses to the Nativity – Zechariah & Elizabeth*

Cantata *On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry*

Reading *Mary*

Cantata *Canticle of the Turning (The Magnificat)*

Reading *The Shepherds*

Cantata *Shepherds Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep*

Reading *The Angels*

Carol *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* #240
vss. 1 & 3 congregation; vs. 2 Choir

Reading *The Animals*

Cantata *The Friendly Beasts* Children's Choir
Soloists: Sabrina Bean, Faith Christen & Katie Cannon,
Jon Crisler, Anne Schwertfeger

Offertory Invitation

Offertory *Concert Variations on O Tannenbaum*, Carolyn Kuban, harp

Reading *The Wise Men*

Cantata *We Three Kings of Orient Are*
Soloists: Fred Munson, Darrel Rishel, & Brice Hoffman

Reading *Our Witness*

Carol *Silent Night, Holy Night* #239
vss. 1 & 4 congregation; vs. 2 Megan Rishel; vs. 3 Choir

Benediction

Carol Postlude AUMC Orchestra & Carolyn Cline, organ

*Indicates you are invited to stand as you choose and are able.

Assisting in Worship: Matt Hilbert, Sydney Vogel, Debbie Willeford, Carolyn Cline,
Chris Moore, Kent Smiley, Jon Vogel
Co-Pastors: Rev. Rusty Butler and Rev. Valerie Oden
Acolytes: 9:30 Sarah Ondak & Brooke Perala
Welcome Center: Melanie Mayeranderson

If you are new to the community or this church, **WELCOME**. Please sign the fellowship book so we can send you a copy of our newsletter, *The Circuit Rider*. Stop by the Welcome Center in the narthex to pick up brochures describing the programs and activities AUMC offers and a copy of our newsletter.

Next Sunday's Special Music: 9:30 *Fit for a King* and *The Birthday of a King* from the Christmas Suite, Good Morning Choir (no 7:45 service next Sunday!)

Candlelighting Services:

Sunday, December 20, 7 p.m.
Christmas Eve, December 24, 5, 7, and 11 p.m.

Children's Service:

Christmas Eve, December 24, 3 p.m.

Sunday, December 27, 9:30 a.m. Combined Service
(no 7:45 a.m. service)

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Chancel Choir

Edna Adams, Carl Almquist, Jean Almquist, Mary Beasley, Ann Butler,
Joan Boyce, Carrie Bujack, Don Clasen, Sue Clasen, Betty Davee,
Pat Gewecke, Ed Griffen, Marian Griffen, Susan Hawkins, Shirley Heck,
Brice Hoffman, Mitsuko Klein, Ray Kooser, Carol Ladbury, Ray Ladbury,
Holly Lindsey, Tammie Lohner, Bob Lowry, Judy Markoff, Audrey Metz,
Fred Munson, Wilma Price, Dorothy Rhoads, Darrell Rishel, Megan Rishel,
Vickie Rishel, Mary Slote, Nancy Shock, Nicole Stegink

Debbie Willeford, director
Jack & Sandy Van Ens, narrators

Children's Choir

Sabrina Bean, Katie Cannon, Faith Christen, Jon Crisler, Carlton Greenley,
Madison Jester, Valeria De Luna-Kent, Ally Ritterholz, Emma Ritterholz,
Anne Schwertfeger

Beth Ritterholz, choir assistant
Ethan Thomas, choir helper
Sydney Vogel, director

Instrumentalists

Flute – Rick Moody
Handbells – Marion Burnham & Jamie Olson
Violin I – Serena Klein
Violin II – Marva Seibold
Viola – Ann Nelson
Cello – Andra Nelson
Harp – Carolyn Kuban
Percussion – Jan Buckles
Organ – Carolyn Cline