John L. Wilson, Director of Music

Sanctuary Choir

Sopranos	Altos	Tenors	Basses
Lynn Black	Jan Davidson	Trey Dupree	David Chew
Joanna Caruso	Julie Dey	McDonald Law	Glynn Dyer
Gloria Gill	Debra Dupree	Paul Moller	Ed Evans
Charlotte Jewett	Kim Green	Les Reagan	Joel Haywood
Margaret Johnson	Ilona Law	Richard Turner	Mel Jewett
Kay Lovingood	Claudia Moller	Courtney Walton	John Norkus
Bethany McKenzie	Sue Moncrief	Patrick Walton	Ora Parish
Jane Millward	Carol Rezzelle		Ike Walton
Pamela Ouzts	Karen Stewart		
Leanora Parish	Barbara Volpitto		
Natalie Parish			
Joanne Pierce			
Melissa Schultz			
Lydia Walton			

Children's Choir

Evie Calderwood	Matthew Hemena	Anna Zamora
Elizabeth Doss	Marcus Hemena	Emma Zamora
Ruth Anna Doss	Ellie Zamora	Gabe Zamora
Sarah Clair Doss		

Handbells

Mary Grace Doss	Janet Hesse	Carol Rezzelle
James Doss	Claudia Moller	Richard Turner
Joseph Doss	Paul Moller	Lisa Wilson
Lisa Haves	Sue Moncrief	

Orchestra

Organ

Laura Doss

Piano

Lisa Wilson

Flute

Erin Montgomery

Обое

Whitney Denison

Clarinet

Jay Rising

French Horn

Deryck Clarke

Trumpet

Fabio Man, Josh Workman, Tom Strayer

Trombone

Jessica Wilkerson, Mark Goodell, Matthew Henderson

Violin 1

Ryan Kho, Gloria Smits, Sophia Smits

Violin 2

Adam DePriest, Noah Doss, Derrick Smits, Tiffany Hubenthal

Viola

Carl Purdy

Cello

Christine Crookall, Mary Grace Doss, Joseph Doss

Bass

Sara Lokey

Merry Christmas

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship

Christ is born! You are invited to join us on Wednesday, December 24, at 5:00 p.m. for a candlelight service as we worship and celebrate our Savior and Lord on the eve of His birth. There will be the singing of carols and heartfelt music involving a string ensemble and a homily by Rev. Robbie Hendrick. Prelude begins at 4:45 p.m.

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The Joy of Christmas: H Service of Lessons and Carols



Sunday, December 21, 2025 Evening Worship, Six O'clock

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Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel - Isaiah 7:14

(† Indicates the congregation standing)

The prelude is a time set aside for quieting our hearts before God in preparation for worship. Please silence cell phones and other electronic devices, and respectfully refrain from unnecessary conversation.

The Preludearr. R. Vaughan Williams

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing; Silent Night; O Come, All Ye Faithful; Fantasia on Greensleeves (What Child Is This?) Handbell Choir & Orchestra

Pastor: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,

that the King of glory may come in.

People: Who is this King of glory?

Pastor: The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

People: Who is this King of glory?

All: The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory!

The Invocation

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 – O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels; Sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above; Glory to God in the highest! (*Refrain*)

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning:

Jesus, to Thee be glory given!

Word of the Father, late in flesh appearing; (Refrain)

⁶ And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. ⁷ And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths and laid Him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. ⁸ And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹ And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. ¹⁰ And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹ For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹² And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." ¹³ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, ¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased!"

The Anthemarr. Mack Wilberg

Angels We Have Heard on High Solo — Bethany McKenzie The First Noel

The first Noel the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; in fields where they lay keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Refrain: Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star shining in the east, beyond them far; and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.

Then entered in those wise men three, full reverently upon the knee, and offered there, in His presence, their gold and myrrh and frankincense.

The Anthem arr. Dan Forres

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

The Anthemarr. Mack Wilberg

Joy to the World

The Offering & The Offertory

A Christmas Canon, arr. Donald Moore Carol of the Star, by Donald Moore Lisa Wilson, piano & Gloria Smits, violin

The Anthemarr. Mack Wilberg

O Come, All Ye Faithful

The Third Lesson Luke 1:26–38 ²⁶ In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, ²⁷ to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" ²⁹ But she was greatly troubled at the saying and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰ And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. ³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to Him the throne of his father David, ³³ and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." ³⁴ And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?" ³⁵ And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will over shadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God.

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"
Christ, by highest heav'n adored; Christ the everlasting Lord!

Late in time, behold Him come, offspring of a virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail th'incarnate Deity, Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings, ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by, born that man no more may die.
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Solo – Melissa Schultz

The Anthem Dan Forrest

The Hands That First Held Mary's Child

The hands that first held Mary's child were hard from working wood. From boards they sawed and planed and filed and splinters they withstood.

This day they gripped no tool of steel they drove no iron nail.

But cradled from the head to heel our Lord, new-born and frail. When Joseph marveled at the size of that small breathing frame,

And gazed upon those bright new eyes and spoke the infant's name.

The angel's words he once had dreamed poured out from heaven's height, And like the host of stars that beamed blessed earth with welcome light.

This Child shall be Emmanuel not God upon a throne,

But God-with-us, Emmanuel as close as blood and bone. The tiny form in Joseph's palms confirmed what he had heard,

And from his heart rose hymns and psalms for heaven's human Word.

The tools which Joseph laid aside, a mob would later lift,
And use with anger, fear and pride to crucify God's gift.

Let us O Lord, not only hold the Child who's born today.

Let us, O Lord, not only hold the Child who's born today, But charged with faith, may we be bold to follow in His way.

The Fifth Lesson

Joy to the World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King! Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room, and heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns: let men their songs employ;

While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy,

Repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make His blessings flow far as the curse is found,

Far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness and wonders of His love, And wonders of His love, and wonders, wonders of His love.

The Postlude — Toccata on God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen arr. Payne