

Christmas Eve



Welcome to
WEST LAWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Our vision is to Invite, Embrace, and Empower all to be the family of God in Christ

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 24, 2022 - 9:00 p.m.



PRELUDES

"Sicilienne"
"Once In Royal David's City"
"Pavane"
"What Child Is This"
"A Christmas Pastoral"

Paradis
Farlee
Faure
Purvis
Callahan

WELCOME

Pastor Ebersole

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Hardy

* CAROL

"O Come, All Ye Faithful" (vss. 1,3,6)

UMH #234

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 9:2, 6 (NIV)

Pastor Hardy

CHRISTMAS PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS TO THE CHRIST CHILD

Pastor Hoopes

MUSICAL OFFERING

"O Holy Night"

Adam

John Coakley, soloist and Christopher Rodgers, piano

SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:1-20 (NIV)

Mike Reinert

* CAROL

"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

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CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

"The Story Remains the Same"

Pastor Ebersole

CHRISTMAS COMMUNION *(by intinction)*

SPECIAL MUSIC

"I Wonder as I Wander"

Schrader

Beth Shirk, flute and Christopher Rodgers, piano

INVITATION TO CANDLELIGHTING

Candlelight Service: *The ushers will bring the Light to each worshiper. The person on the aisle is asked to tip his/her unlit candle into the flame of the lighted candle, and then share that light with others in that row. Please, never tip a burning candle! Thank you.*

ENTRANCE OF THE CHRIST LIGHT

* CAROL

"Silent Night, Holy Night"

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

Silent night, holy night, shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light;
Radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Silent night, holy night, wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing. Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!

* CAROL

"Joy to the World"

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* DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Pastor Hoopes

POSTLUDE

"Toccata on 'Joy to The World' "

Phillips

** Please stand if you are able.*



PARTICIPATING IN TONIGHT'S SERVICE

**Pastor Tom Ebersole
Pastor Chris Hardy
Pastor Lisa Hoopes
Mike Reinert, Scripture Reader
John Coakley, Soloist
Beth Shirk, Flute
Christopher Rodgers, Organ and Piano**

- * ***WE INVITE YOU*** to take your candle with you as a symbol of Christ's light, which goes with us and shines through us, but please leave the plastic candle holders in the boxes in the lobby so they may be used again. Thank you.
- * ***OUR THANKS*** to all who have sponsored the poinsettias that adorn our sanctuary. You may pick up a copy of the poinsettia booklet in the sanctuary lobby.
- * ***The exterior Christmas lighting*** of our church campus is presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Stacy Myers, and the saints who now rest in heaven.



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