

Thank you for being part of our Christmas Eve Service.

Our Sunday Worship service is at 10:30 am.

Join us in 2026 as we study the Life of Jesus in 100 Days,
beginning January 1.

This will include daily devotions as well as Sunday worship.

Please pick up a booklet as you leave tonight
for the first set of devotions.

Feel free to get your picture taken in front of our Christmas tree or
manger scene. Costumes available, if you like

**Centered in Worship,
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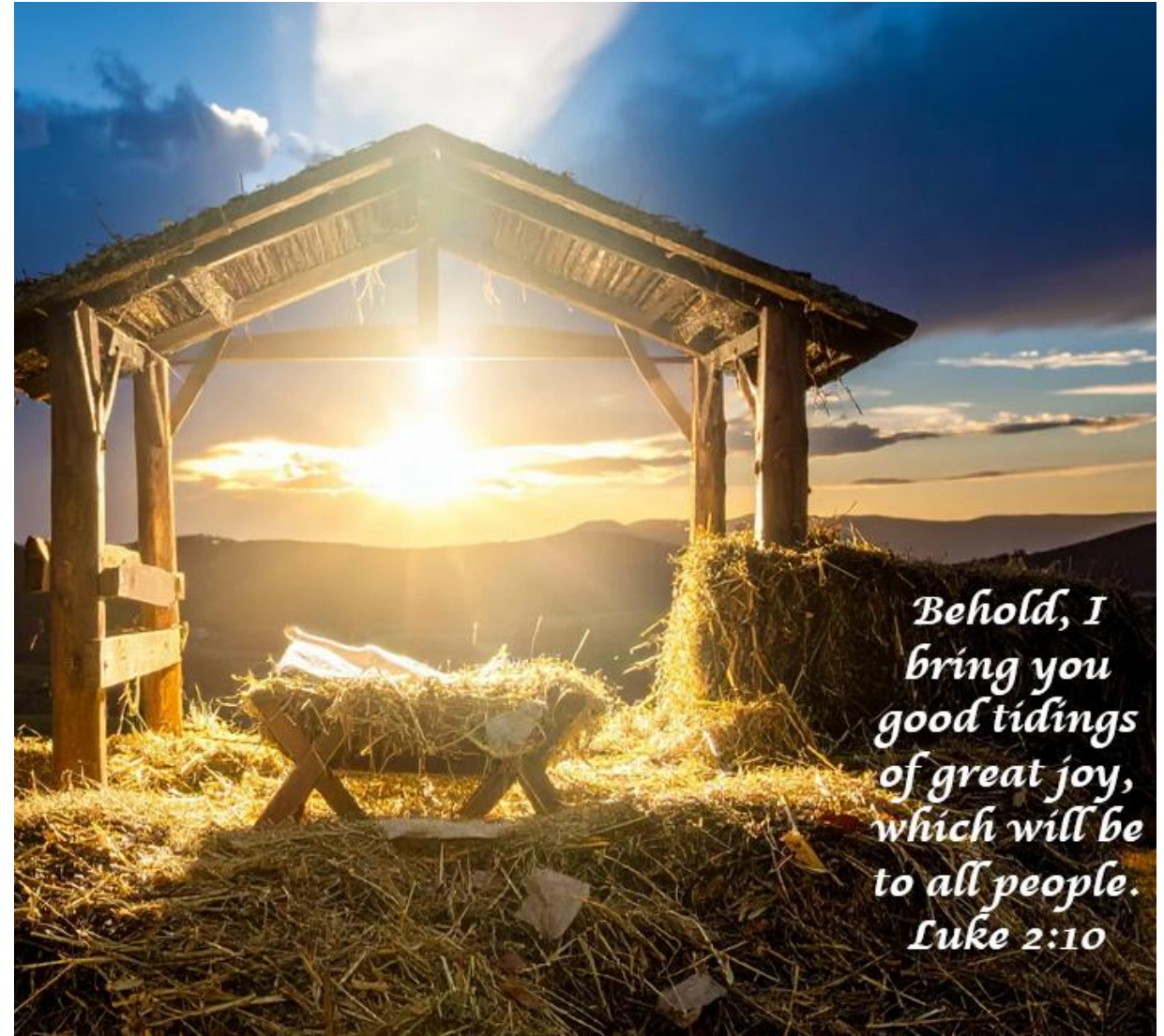
Worship Service and Music

Rev. Misty Howick
Pastor

Jeffrey Conger
Director of Music

Chaplain Kathy Norris
Pastoral Assistant

Alex Lunardi
Accompanist



*Behold, I
bring you
good tidings
of great joy,
which will be
to all people.
Luke 2:10*

 *New Song*
United Methodist Church

Service of Scripture, Prayer and Music

December 24, 2025, 4:00 pm

Christmas Eve

Prelude	“Joy to the World”	George Frideric Handel arr. James Koerts
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Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Beloved, on this night, we gather to remember the story once again of God who came to dwell among us as a vulnerable baby.

People: We rejoice in the day that all the earth awaits.

Leader: We remember the stable, the animals, and the manger that witnessed the arrival of Emmanuel, God with us.

People: We rejoice in the day that all the earth awaits.

Leader: We recall the angels who announced the Messiah's birth to the shepherds, those most unlikely witnesses of God's glory.

People: We rejoice in the day that all the earth awaits.

Leader: We gather today as people of God's promise, witnesses to God's glorious presence among us in the vulnerable, forgotten, and tucked away places of the world.

People: We gather to rejoice in the day that all the earth awaits, the day that has already come and will yet be. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Adapted from Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, June 2025

Advent Candle Lighting

Congregational Sung Response Advent Song TFWS 2090, v 5

*Opening Carol	Away in a Manger	UMH 217
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Offering

Offertory “We Bring His Light with Joy to the World” arr. Harlan
Celebration Choir

***Doxology** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 94

*Offertory Prayer

Children's Message

Scripture	Luke 2: 1-7, 15-20	Val Castle, liturgist
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Carol	Love Came Down at Christmas	UMH 242
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Sermon Tucked Away Rev. Misty Howick

Carol of Preparation	The First Noel	UMH 245, vv 1-4
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Affirmation of Faith UMH 883

Prayer of Confession

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (sung) TFWS 2278

Communion Music “O Holy Night with Silent Night” Adam & Gruber
arr. James Koerts
(please raise your hand if you would like communion brought to you)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Closing Carols	Silent Night	UMH 239
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Joy to the World UMH 246

(Candles will be lit during Silent Night. Please hold the lit candle upright and tip the unlit candle into the flame. During Joy to the World, follow the choir and ushers to process out onto the patio with your candle, as you are able.)

*Benediction

*Postlude	“We Wish You a Merry Christmas”	Traditional English arr. James Koerts
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**Please stand as you are able*