

Connect Card

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Welcome! Whether you are a visitor or a member, you can always learn more at North Church. Let us know how we can help you.

- I need to update my contact information.
- I'd like to receive North Church's e-newsletter.
- I'm interested in speaking with someone about North.
- I'd like to speak to a Pastor about a personal concern.

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I am interested in learning more about:

- Children's Ministries
- Youth Ministries
- Young Adult Ministries
- Small Groups
- Music Ministries
- Outreach and Missions
- Care and Nurture Ministries
- Hospitality Ministries
- Green Team
- Reconciling Ministries
- United Methodist Women
- Justice & Advocacy

Other/Comments _____

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Sundays at North

Sunday Morning Hospitality

All are welcome

- 8:30-10:15: Community Room
- Following 11:00 service: Community Room

Childcare During Worship

Provided for infants-4 year olds during both worship services & Sunday School

- Infant/Toddlers: Room 103
- Preschool: Room 102

Sunday School (9:45-10:45):

Adult Sunday School

- The Affirming Group: Room 207
- Amazing Grace: Room 106
- Contemporary Biblical Forum: 009
- On Being: Library
- Power and Light: Room 205
- Sojourners: Room 005
- Usual Suspects: 006

Children Sunday School

- Toddlers: Room 103
- Preschool: Room 102
- K-4th Grade: Chapel
 - Kindergarten—101
 - 1st & 2nd Grade—104
 - 3rd & 4th Grade—204
 - 5th & 6th Grade—203

Youth Sunday School

- Confirmation: Room 202
7th Graders Not In Confirmation: Room 203
- *8th Graders Not In Confirmation: Room 008*
- High School: Room 008

Music (Following 11:00am service)

- Carolers: Conference Room
- Choristers: Room 004
- Joyful Noise: Room 101
- Cathedral Ringers: Room 007

The Happenings

Details can be found in the weekly eNews, Facebook/Twitter, bulletin boards or Epiphany card

- **December 25: Christmas Day** – 11:00am; celebrate the birth of Christ with one combined service of Christmas carols & blessings
- **January 1: New Year's Day Service** – 11:00am; there will be one combined service, a covenant service that renews our commitment to Christ for the New Year
- **January 6: Three Kings Party** – 5:00-8:00pm, Fellowship Hall; celebrate the Epiphany with us & enjoy games & crafts, food & a Kings Cake; fun for the whole family; register at the Hospitality Desk
- **January 22: Taize Worship Service** – 5:00pm, Chapel
- **February 7: Crystal Tones Alchemy Bowl Sound Circle** - 6:30-8:00pm; presented by the Care & Nurture ministry, join Terri Coddington for meditation, relaxation & stress relief, through vibrational healing; register at the Hospitality Desk by February 2
- **February 28: Mardi Gras** – 5:30-7:00pm, Fellowship Hall; Celebrate "Fat Tuesday" with a pancake dinner prepared & served by church staff, complete with festive music

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Youth Ensemble: Rebecca Eggert, Grace Geeganage, Anna Montgomery, Brooke Pipkin, Laura Schilling, Allyssa Welch, Kathleen Welch

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Christmas Eve, December 24, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.
Worship Service with Pageant & Candlelighting



PRELUDE *From Heaven Above to Earth I Come* arr. W. Pelz
Heather Hinton

INTROIT *Away In a Manger* Joyful Noise Choir
Joli Heavin, director

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

CALL TO WORSHIP Tyler Pipkin

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES Reese Williams and Sean Cooper

*HYMN #251 *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*
Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night,
Behold throughout the heavens there shown a holy light. Refrain

The shepherds feared and trembled, when lo! Above the earth,
Rang out the angel chorus that hailed the Savior's birth. Refrain

Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born,
And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. Refrain

*Please stand as you are able.

STORY *A Different Kind of Lamb* Denise Page Caraher

ANTHEM *One Small Lamb* Carolers
Words by Pamela Stewart; Music by Michael Barret
Denise Caraher, director; James Caraher, piano; Kelley Warbinton, flute;
Jeff Warbinton, percussion

Shepherd, sleeping in the night, go to Bethlehem, Shepherd, open up your eyes, go to Bethlehem, leave behind your ewes and rams, go in search of one small Lamb, the Son of God, the Great I Am! Go to Bethlehem. Shepherd, there's no need of fear, go to Bethlehem, we have something you must hear, go to Bethlehem, this to you will be a sign, in the manger you will find the Lamb of God for humankind! Go to Bethlehem! Shepherd, do you wonder why? Go to Bethlehem. You must leave your sheep behind, Go to Bethlehem. Shepherd, do you understand? Do you know what God has planned? To save the world with one small Lamb? Go to Bethlehem!

CHRISTMAS AND OFFERTORY PRAYER Rebecca Eggert

ANTHEM *Do You Hear What I Hear* By Noel Regney and Gloria Shayne
Choristers and Dads; Rosie Jordan, director; Grace Geeganage, piano
Said the night wind to the little lamb, "Do you see what I see — way up in the sky, little lamb? *Do you see what I see?* A star, a star, dancing in the night with a tail as big as a kite!" Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy, "Do you hear what I hear — ringing through the sky, shepherd boy? *Do you hear what I hear?* A song, a song high above the tree with a voice as big as the sea!" Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king, "Do you know what I know — in your palace warm, mighty king? *Do you know what I know?* A Child, a Child shivers in the cold. Let us bring Him silver and gold." Said the king to the people everywhere, "Listen to what I say. Pray for peace, people everywhere! The Child, the Child sleeping in the night, He will bring us goodness and light."

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

ANTHEM *The Shepherds' Lamb*
lyrics by Susan Bentall Boersma, music by Dan Forrest
Youth Ensemble; Kelley Warbinton Flute
A stable bare, a starlit sky, and under Heaven's watchful eye, a miracle in manger lay the Lamb of God upon a bed of hay. The first news of this glorious birth was told to those of little worth, who left their flocks, as angels said, to find the Lamb of God in manger bed. The shepherds paused at stable door, looked on the Lamb and in Him saw their own good Shepherd, born a Lamb, themselves the flock within the Shepherd's hand. With shepherds gaze in wonder on the mystery of Heaven's plan; The Shepherd, born to live with us, is born to die for us, the shepherds' Lamb.

NATIVITY STORY, PART I adapted from Luke 2:1-20
Narrated by Jarrod Jones and Mary Hensel

HYMN #217 *Away in a Manger* v. 2
*The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus! look down from the sky,
And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.*

NATIVITY STORY, PART II

HYMN #238 *Angels We Have Heard on High* v. 1
*Angels we have heard on high sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains.
Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!*

NATIVITY STORY, PART III

BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO JESUS
At the direction of the narrators, the congregation may bring their gifts forward and see baby Jesus. These offerings will be donated to Coburn Place.

HYMN #2096 *Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow*
*There's a star in the East on Christmas morn,
Rise up, shepherd, and follow;
It will lead to the place where Christ was born;
Rise up, shepherd, and follow.*

*Follow, follow,
Rise up, shepherd, and follow,
Follow the star to Bethlehem.
Rise up, shepherd, and follow.*

SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST David Geeganage

HYMN #239 *Silent Night* v. 1&3
Stille Nacht
Choristers will sing the first verse in German
*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, 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.*

*PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST'S BIRTH Reese Williams

*HYMN #246 *Joy to the World* v. 1&4
*Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.
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.*

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Emily Schilling

POSTLUDE *God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen* arr. D. Lasky
Heather Hinton

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- Wheelchair and elevator access in the west and southwest entries
- Pew cutouts in Sanctuary for wheelchairs
- Hearing enhancement devices available at welcome desk in west entry and tables in east entry of Sanctuary
- Large print hymnals and bulletins available from ushers

**Sunday, December 25, 2016
11:00 a.m.**

1st Sunday after Christmas
Ronnie Bell, preaching

Scan the QR code with your smart phone to make an online donation for today's special offering. Choose "2016 Christmas Giving" under "Payment To." Tonight's offering supports North Church's Bread & Bowl and Farmers Market ministries and the Bishop's Christmas Offering for Children.



You may also place your donation in the offering plate during the Offertory.

Need something? We can help!

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