

\*PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST'S BIRTH

Tyler Pipkin

\*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

Evan Cahoon

*Please extinguish your candle before leaving your seat  
and place it in a basket by the exits.*

POSTLUDE

*Joy to the World*

arr. K. Langlois

**The offering tonight is dedicated to supporting:**

- Farmers Market – has served the community for over 15 years; features local produce and vendors
- Bread & Bowl – has served the community for over 25 years and feeds people every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
- Bishop's Offering - funds ministries that support at-risk children in Indiana and around the world: church camp scholarships, Indiana's three United Methodist-related children and youth homes and advances special projects for children around the world

**Sunday, December 30, 2018**  
**One Service, 11 a.m.**  
*Ronnie Bell preaching*

*As part of our North Church's commitment to live out the gospel of Christ through our social witness, (found in the United Methodist Social Principles ¶162, Section H) your offering of diapers will go to support newcomer refugee children in Indianapolis through Exodus Refugee Immigration, Inc. This organization provides a wide-range of services and programs to meet the needs of refugee newcomers, such as housing, food and clothing, and case management, as well as provide education, employment training and health services.*

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Youth Ensemble: David Barker, Evan Cahoon, David Geeganage, Grace Geeganage, Lauren Hand, Ashley Pipkin, Tyler Pipkin, Aaron Rembert, Alyssa Welch, Kathleen Welch, Lizette Welch

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**Christmas Eve Worship Service  
with Pageant and Candlelighting  
December 24, 2018  
5:00 p.m.**

*North United Methodist Church is an open, inclusive,  
and welcoming church. We affirm that through God's  
redeeming love, all are one in Christ.  
YOU are welcome at North.*

PRELUDE *Shepherds' Dance* R. Elloitt

CALL TO WORSHIP Kathleen Welch

INTROIT *Christmas is Coming* J. Raney  
Youth Ensemble  
Sarah Galloway, handbells; James Caraher, director

\*HYMN #240 *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing* v. 1 & 3

*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 th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"  
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"*

*Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings, risen with healing in his wings.  
Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,  
Born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.  
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"*

STORY *OODLES of ANGELS* Denise Page Caraher

CAROLERS' ANTHEM *Deo!* J.A. Shafferman  
Denise Caraher, director; James Caraher, piano;  
Michael O'Neill, Evan Cahoon, percussion; Maryjane Wolfe, soloist

Deo! Deo! Gloria, gloria in excelsis!  
Children, come with us to Bethlehem, everybody hear the angels sing,  
Children, come with us to Bethlehem, everybody now adore the King.  
Hear the angels singing Deo, Deo! In excelsis Deo gloria!  
Shepherds, leave your sheep and come with us, guided by the shining star  
so bright. All are welcome here in Bethlehem, see the Babe who is the Lord  
of Light. Hear the angels singing Deo, Deo! In excelsis Deo gloria!

We are marching through the starry night to a humble little cattle stall.  
We are marching to the Lord of Light, tiny Child who is the King of all.  
Hear the angels singing Deo, Deo! In excelsis Deo gloria!  
Hear the angels singing Deo, Deo! In excelsis Deo gloria Deo!

CHRISTMAS AND OFFERTORY PRAYER Aaron Rembert

\*Please stand as you are able.

CHORISTERS' AND DADS' ANTHEM *Angels' Lullaby* J. Gallina  
James Caraher, piano; Rosie Jordan, director

Hush, hush a baby's asleep. Born in a holy manger, sweet dreams He will  
keep. Hush, hear the angels on high sing to the holy baby a sweet lullaby.  
Allelu, Allelu they sing a glad Noel for born is the King of Israel.

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

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel! Born is the King of Israel.

\*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

\*HYMN #245 *The First Noel* v. 1-2

*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. Refrain*

NATIVITY STORY, PART I adapted from Luke 2:1-20  
Narrated by Robbie Sheffield and David Geeganage

HYMN #217 *Away in a Manger* v. 1

*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.*

NATIVITY STORY, PART II

HYMN #238 *Angels We Have Heard on High* v. 1-2

*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!*

*Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains  
prolong? What the gladsome tidings be which inspire your  
heavenly song? 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 Exodus  
Refugee Immigration, Inc.*

HYMN #234 *O Come, All Ye Faithful* v. 1,3, 4 & 6

*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;  
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest; Refrain*

*See how the shepherds, summoned to his cradle,  
leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;  
we too will thither bend our joyful footsteps; Refrain*

*Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to thee be all glory given.  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing: Refrain*

SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST Kathleen Welch

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.*