

# Order of Worship

Christmas Eve

December 24, 2022

The liturgical color is white, receiving the gift of God in His Son.

*Our Mission: Follow Jesus and Share Him with Others!  
Gather—Grow—Give—Go!*

- Pre-service Music** Christmas Carol Medley *String Quartet*
- Prelude** “O Little Town of Bethlehem” arr. Larry Shackley  
*(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God. Let the worshipers remain silent and contemplative.)*
- Welcome & Passing of the Peace** Rev. Michelle Louk **3PM**  
Rev. Joel McMakin **7PM**
- \* **Opening Carol** “O Come, All Ye Faithful” UMH #234 v.1, 3
- \* **Christmas Prayer** Rev. Chad Mullinix **3PM**  
Jim Creel, Jr. **7PM**
- Scripture** Isaiah 9:2-7 Rev. Mullinix | Mr. Creel
- Carol** “Good Christian Friends Rejoice” UMH #224
- Advent Wreath Lighting** Christ Brenda Bellamy & JC Bellamy **3PM**  
Norman McQueen Family **7PM**
- Anthem 3PM** “In the First Light” arr. Fettke  
*Norman McQueen, soloist*
- 7PM** “O Holy Night / Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” arr. Christopher
- Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession** Rev. Mullinix | Mr. Creel
- The Lord’s Prayer**  
*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*
- Carol** “Go Tell it on the Mountain” UMH #251
- Celebrating Grace by Returning God’s Tithes and Giving Our Offerings**
- Offertory** “Angels We Have Heard on High” arr. Larry Shackley  
*(Please come forward to place an offering in the manger. Please register your attendance.)  
The Christmas offering will benefit Zoe International and FUMC TV Ministry.*
- \* **The Doxology** “What Child is This?” UMH #219 v. 1, 3
- \* **Offertory Prayer** Rev. Mullinix | Mr. Creel
- \* **Carol** “Away in a Manger” UMH #217 v. 1, 3
- \* **Sermon Text** Luke 2:8-20
- Sermon** “Good News of Great Joy” Rev. Louk **3PM**  
“The Birth of the Messiah” Rev. McMakin **7PM**
- \* **Candlelight Carol** “Silent Night” UMH #239 (words below)  
*(As the Ushers light the first candle in each pew row, please tilt the unlit candle to light then pass.)*

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!

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(Silent Night, continued)

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!

\* **Benediction**

Rev. Louk | Rev. McMakin

**Postlude**

“Joy to the World”

arr. Larry Shackley

(\*) Please stand as you are able.

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### ***The Christmas Eve Offering for Missions***

**Zoe Empowers** ([www.zoempowers.org](http://www.zoempowers.org)) is a mission in Africa that empowers orphaned children and youth-led families to overcome life threatening poverty, move beyond charity, and experience meaningful lives. The organization provides a scalable and sustainable framework in which these vulnerable families are equipped to become safe and healthy, skilled for long-term success, and supported within their community. This organization is also supported by the church's Missions Impact program this year.

**FUMC's TV Ministry** reaches shut-ins, seasonal visitors, and others by a weekly television broadcast on the local FOX network in the greater Myrtle Beach area of eastern SC and southern NC. This ministry has been in place for 30 years and is solely funded by special gift donations. The Church Council deemed this broadcast a viable ministry that reaches a greater audience worthy of the special gifts it receives. This year, the estimated monthly viewership is 6,800. The 28½-minute broadcast features the prior week's worship service, abbreviated, including music, prayer, and the sermon.

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We welcome our guests today and pray that you will experience the presence of Christ in our worship together. **Please register your attendance on the pew pads or check-in on the Realm Connect app.**

The Flowers in worship are given for the Glory of God and with wishes to our church family for a Merry Christmas from Donna, Norman, and Reagan McQueen.

Thank you to our String Quartet for providing beautiful music today for worship: Stephen Williams, Rose Degraça, Simon Hill, and Wyatt Johnson. Also, thank you to Norman McQueen, soloist and director; the Wesley Chancel Choir; and D. Scott Ferguson, organist/pianist, for sharing their musical offerings.

**Christmas Sunday worship—10AM—Sanctuary—one service.  
New Year's Sunday worship—10AM—Sanctuary—one service.**

**IT'S A NEW YEAR, IT'S A NEW TIME! On January 1st, Sunday School is back at 9AM for all ages. DON'T MISS OUT!**

**Starting January 8, worship with us at 10AM—either traditional service in the Sanctuary or contemporary service in the Wesley Worship Center. Sunday School classes meet at 9AM.**

Virtual worship opportunities may be viewed on Facebook ([fumcmb](https://www.facebook.com/fumcmb)), on the website ([fumcmb.org](http://fumcmb.org)), on the mobile app, or on Sundays at 10AM via WFXB (FOX TV ch 7).



**Give electronically with a cell phone. Scan the QR Code with the phone's camera, tap the link at the top of the screen to open VENMO to give.**

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**Ushers—3PM:** Gene Butler, Clark Butler Steve Louk

**7PM:** Annette Willett, Ed Willett, Dudley Robinson, Gene Singleton, Judy Winn, Tom Winn

**Acolyte—7PM** Jackson Uphold

**Video —7PM** Jim Lewis

**Sound—7PM** Scott Bowen

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### **The Steeple Highlights**

Snowbirds & Seagulls—golf on January 3, 2023; fellowship meal on January 5, 2023, Wesley Hall.

Men's Lunch Devotional, January 6, 2023, 11:30AM at Magnolia's @ 26th, upstairs.

BBQ/Missions fundraiser, January 8, 2023, take-out only. Tickets are \$10/plate. To purchase tickets, please contact Tara Howser, 843-340-8237 or Janice Myers, 843-455-4373.

Ladies Lunch Devotional, January 11, 2023, 11:30AM at Magnolia's @ 26th, upstairs.

Missions Impact Weekend, January 27-29, 2023, Wesley Hall.



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