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FAIRPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
DECEMBER 24, 2022 CHILDREN'S SERVICE, 4PM

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Silent Night

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THE PROPHECY

Isaiah 9:1-2, 6-7

CANDLE LIGHTING LITURGY My Story is...

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*HYMN

O Come, All Ye Faithful

UMH 234 (vs. 1-3)

ANTHEM

Come On, Ring Those Bells

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Joyful Noise Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION AND TELLING THE STORY

The Story of Mary & Joseph

Luke 1:26-35, Matthew 1:18-23

Sung Response: *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* (UMH 211, vs. 1)

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,

That mourns in lonely exile here, until the Son of God appear

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel!

The Story of the Census

Luke 2:1-5

Sung Response: *O Little Town of Bethlehem* (UMH 230, vs. 1)

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie;

Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.

Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light;

The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

The Story of the Birth

Luke 2:6-7

Sung Response: *Away in a Manger*

(UMH 217, vs. 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.**

The Story of the Shepherds

Luke 2:8-14

Sung Response: *Angels We Have Heard on High* (UMH 238, vs. 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!**

The Story of the Shepherds II

Luke 2:15-18

Sung Response: *What Child is This*

(UMH 219, vs. 1)

**What child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
While shepherds watch are keeping.**

RESPONDING IN LOVE

OFFERTORY

In the Bleak Midwinter

Arche

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The Story of the Magi

Matthew 2:1-2, 7-11

Sung Response: *The First Noel*

(UMH 245, vs. 2)

**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.**

MOVING IN GOD'S WAY

INVITATION TO CANDLE LIGHTING
SHARING THE CHRIST LIGHT

John 1:1-5, 14

*The candle lighters will light their candles from the pastor's candle. They then will light the candle of the first worshipper in each pew who will pass the light down the pew. When the light comes to you, please tip your **unlit candle** toward the lighted candle.*

*HYMN

Silent Night

UMH 239

**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 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!**

Please extinguish your candle gently, and hold the candle still, until the wax hard

*CHRISTMAS PRAYER

*HYMN

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

UMH 2

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata on

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"Angels We Have Heard on High"

You are invited to be seated for the postlude.

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Merry Christmas!

Thank you for worshiping with us this Christmas Eve at the Fairport United Methodist Church! It is a blessing to have you here to celebrate the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Here at Fairport UMC, ALL are welcome as beloved children of God. We extend a special thank you to our readers and musicians today for sharing their gifts.

You are invited to enter into the Christmas story as if you were really present for the birth of Christ. Let the amazing news of the birth of our Savior fill your hearts with hope, love and grace. This story is God's story and this is YOUR story. Let it overwhelm you with joy!

If you are in a position to make a special Christmas Gift today, please use the envelopes in the pew racks. All that is given in these envelopes will go to help purchase beds for Ukrainian refugees in Rochester through Saint's Place. Gifts not in the envelopes will go toward our church's operating budget. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Again, we are glad you have chosen to be with us, and we invite you to participate in future opportunities for worship, fellowship, and outreach

Sunday, December 25th and Sunday, January 1st: Worship at 9:30am

Regular Sunday Schedule

9:00am - Worship & Sunday School for all ages

10:30am - Worship (*this service is also livestreamed*)

Please visit our website www.fairportumc.org for more information.

Staff

Pastor: Rev. Richelle Goff

Music Ministry Director: Nicole Camilleri

Family Ministry: Joy Leinenbach

Administrative Assistant: Kevin Gordon, Custodian: Jamie Gualteri

Please ensure that cell phones are silenced.

**indicates you may stand in body or spirit*

bold print indicates congregational response

Musical Opportunities for Children at FUMC!

Our Joyful Noise Choir is for PreK 4 year olds through 5th grade. We share music in worship once a month at the 10:30 service.

We have lots of fun singing together, playing rhythm games, doing crafts, and making a seasonal Blessing Tree where the kids write or draw things they are thankful for in their lives. Sometimes the oldest singers get to do special things like play handchimes! We also have special guest musicians (children / youth / adults) who come to rehearsals and show us instruments that they play!

We currently have 15 children in Joyful Noise! We have a great time together! New singers are always welcome! We rehearse from 6:30-7:15pm on Tuesday evenings upstairs in room 206.

Contact our Music Ministry Director, Nicole Camilleri (nicole@fairportumc.org), if you have any questions about our music ministry or would like to get involved!



We welcome you, your family, friends and neighbors to see what our Children's, Youth and Family Ministries is up to by checking out our Family Ministries E-News on our website, fairportumc.org.

Once there, go to the "Church E-News" tab and click on "Family E-News." Our past email updates are there and you can learn about all of the fun we have had in 2022 and will be having in 2023.

If you're interested in receiving the Family Ministries Update email in your personal email inbox each week, please contact Joy Leinenbach, the Family Ministries Director, at joy@fairportumc.org



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