

Hope United
Methodist Church
Christmas Eve



A SERVICE OF CAROLS & COMMUNION

11:00 P.M.

PRELUDE *Music of the Nativity* Cheryl Saborsky, CAGO, organist

AN INVITATION TO GOD'S PRESENCE

***LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

***OPENING CAROL** *Love Came Down at Christmas* UMH 242

THE BIDDING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CAROL *In the Bleak Midwinter* UMH 221 vv. 1, 2 & 4

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:1-7 Carolyn O'Hearn

CAROL *Away in a Manger* UMH 217 vv. 1 & 3

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:16-20 Carolyn O'Hearn

CAROL *The First Noel* UMH 245 vv. 1, 2 & 5

SPECIAL MUSIC *O Holy Night* arr. by Adolphe Adam
Laurel Laumann
Cheryl Saborsky, piano

CHRISTMAS MEDITATION Love Knows Your Name Rev. Jeff Rainwater

CAROL *What Child Is This* UMH 219

OFFERTORY *In Dulci Jubilo* J.S. Bach
Cheryl Saborsky, CAGO, organist

***CHRISTMAS DOXOLOGY** to the tune of Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Glory be to God the Father,
Glory be to Christ the Son,
Glory be to the Holy Spirit,
Glory to the Three-in-One.
Here we offer to you gladly
All the gifts that you impart,
As we glory in your Presence,
Giving from a grateful heart.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. ... And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

P: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

L: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. ... And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

P: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

L: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. ... Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

P: Amen.

SHARING HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

JOHN'S PROLOGUE AND CANDLELIGHTING

John 1:1-9

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*CLOSING CAROL

Silent Night, Holy Night

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Alleluia from "For Unto Us A Child Is Born

J.S. Bach
Cheryl Saborsky, CAGO, organist

Merry Christmas!

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WE ARE THANKFUL FOR YOU THIS CHRISTMAS AND ALWAYS!



WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR EXTREME GRATITUDE TO THOSE WHO VOLUNTEER TO USHER, PRESENT SLIDES, SOUND AND LIVESTREAM, READ SCRIPTURE, ACOLYTE, PREPARE THE SANCTUARY, ARRANGE FLOWERS, GREET, SET UP COFFEE, SERVE FROM THE KITCHEN AND THE MANY IMMEASURABLE GIFTS OF THOSE WHO HOST AND CARE FOR ALL, BOTH IN-PERSON AND ONLINE. THANK YOU!