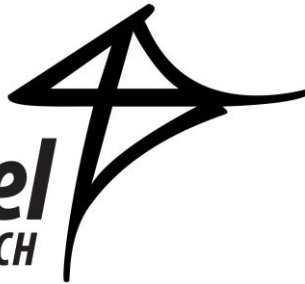


**Immanuel**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**CHRIST IS BORN!**



*Service of Lessons and Carols*  
*Christmas Eve—December 24, 2020*

# *Nativity Of Our Lord*

December 24, 2020

## PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

PRELUDE

Noël Nouvelet  
*Nadia Pessoa, harp*

French Carol, arr. N. Pessoa

INTROIT

The First Nowell  
*Katrina, clarinet; Brian Wilhour, piano*

trad. English Carol, arr. B. Wilhour

THE LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Kelly Black; Paul & Drayanne Erickson

\*CAROL

O Come, All Ye Faithful  
*The Immanuel Carolers*

J.F. Wade

\*UNISON PRAYER

Rev. Katie Strednak Singer

*O God with us, enrobed in human flesh, Immanuel,  
Another Christmas Eve has come.  
Again we hear the promise of prophets,  
Catch the notes of the angels' song,  
See a star in the heavens and try to follow and believe;  
We come again to adore, to ponder, to behold...  
We come to be with You because You have come to be with us.  
And we find You in a baby, born the King of angels yet placed in a humble feedbox  
Because there was no room for Him in the inn.  
Help us, this night, to make room. Help us to clear a space  
Amid anxiety, fear, cynicism and doubt  
For faith and hope and love. Help us to make room for You.  
Amen.*

## THE PROMISE

READING

Matthew 1:18-25

The Von Seggern Family

ANTHEM

The Holly and the Ivy  
*Sanctuary Choir; Brian Wilhour, piano*

trad. English carol, arr. B. Wilhour

## THE BIRTH

READING

Luke 2:1-7

Steve & Jack Parker

CAROL

O Little Town of Bethlehem  
*The Immanuel Carolers*

L.H. Redner

## **THE ANNUNCIATION TO THE SHEPHERDS**

READING Luke 2:8-14 Bizzy Bracken  
ANTHEM Christmas Alleluia C. Tomlin, J. Myrin  
*Sienna Wdowik; Andy Gregory; Elizabeth Pruchnicki; Rev. Katie Strednak Singer; Rev. Billy Kluttz*

## **THE SHEPHERDS GO TO BETHLEHEM**

READING Luke 2:15-20 The Pereira Family  
\*CAROL Hark! The Herald Angels Sing F. Mendelssohn  
*The Immanuel Carolers*

## **THE STAR OVER BETHLEHEM**

READING Matthew 2:1-6 Rev. Kluttz  
ANTHEM Gesù Bambino Pietro Yon, arr. B. Wilhour  
*Sanctuary Choir; Brian Wilhour, piano and tenor recorder*

## **THE ADORATION OF THE WISE MEN**

READING Matthew 2:7-12 Elizabeth Pruchnicki  
THE CHRISTMAS OFFERING  
OFFTERTORY We Three Kings of Orient Are H. Hopkins, Jr., arr. C. Thornton  
*Camille Thornton, soloist*

## **THE MYSTERY OF GOD WITH US**

READING John 1:1-14 Rev. Katie Strednak Singer  
ANTHEM O Holy Night Adolphe Adam  
*Sienna Wdowik, soloist*  
THE MEDITATION Rev. Aaron Fulp-Eickstaedt  
ANTHEM Sleep Baby Jesus arr. B. Wilhour  
*Sanctuary Choir; Nadia Pessoa, harp; Brian Wilhour, glockenspiel*  
THE CHRISTMAS PRAYER Rev. Katie Strednak Singer  
CAROL Silent Night F. X. Gruber  
*Sarah Sherman; Brian Wilhour; Nadia Pessoa, harp*

RINGING IN OF CHRISTMAS

CAROL

Joy to the World

G. F. Handel

*Sarah Sherman; Brian Wilhour; Christian Edel and Brian Wilhour, bells*

BENEDICTION

Rev. Aaron Fulp-Eickstaedt

POSTLUDE

“Toccata” from *Symphony No. 5*

C.M. Widor

*Brian Wilhour, organ*

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