

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols
6:00 PM, December 24th, 2018

Prelude: “Fum, Fum, Fum” (Traditional Spanish Carol) - Community Church Choir

Welcome

Lighting Our Flaming Chalice

Opening Words

Reading: “Come Christmas” by Rev. Maureen Killoran

Hymn of Invocation # 225 “O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

Reading: “UUs at Christmas” by Kate McKenna

Lessons: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7; Micah 5:2-4

Carol: # 246 “Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem”

Lesson: Luke 1:26-35, 38

Responsive Reading # 619 “*Magnificat*”

“See Amid the Winter Snow” (D. Forrest) - Community Church Choir

Lesson: Matthew 1:18-21

Carol: “What Child Is This?” Trad.

Lesson: Luke 2:8-20

Carol: # 231 “Angels We Have Heard on High”

Lesson: Matthew 2:1-11

Carol: #237 “The First Nowell”

Responsive Reading: “Let Us Be That Stable“ (See screen)

“Gesù Bambino” - Community Church Choir, Jay Dowling, soloist

Reading: “Another Telling of the Story”

Carol: # 244 “It Came Upon a Midnight Clear”

Reading: “Why Not a Star”

Carol: “For So the Children Come” - Community Church Choir & Rev. Cooper

Communion of Light:

(Please stay seated until time for you to receive the Light. The ushers will bring the Christmas candles’ light to the seated congregation, from the back to the front of the sanctuary. As light is shared candle to candle from the end of the rows inward, please stand as you are able to receive the Communion of Light. Only tilt the unlit candles when lighting them. Please keep lit candles pointing up, helping others to be careful. Please remain standing, as you are willing and able during “Silent Night.”)

*If you have gifts remaining for the Offering, please share them during the Postlude or later. **Thank you.***

*Carol “Silent Night” (See screen)

Sending Our Light Out into the World: Benediction

Closing Carol: # 245 “Joy to the World”

Postlude: “Shout the News,” Sally Albrecht - Community Church Choir

Reception – Founders Hall

(Please help children and be careful of hot wax. Return candles to baskets in Founders Hall and the foyer)

Celebrant: D. Scott Cooper

Chalice Lighting: Quinton Coulonge

Readers: Joyce Thompson, Dawn Graham, Ronan and Brennan Hadden, Angel Dillon, Alex Coulonge, Shay Richardson, Michael Meadows, Jo Howser, Tom Brikowski

Ushers: Victoria and Mark Rachel

Choir Director and Pianist: Christopher Wolff, Susy Gulley, Community UU Church Choir

Sound/Lighting Operator: Rob Hight

Upcoming worship services:

10:30 AM, Sunday, December 30, 2018 – “Turnings,” Sarah Reiling

