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## First Sunday of Christmas December 29, 2024

## Attendance Cards: Please complete & drop in offering plate. We're glad you're here!

Welcome/Announcements/Prayer Concerns

**PRELUDE** "He Is Born" arr. McDonald

**CALL TO WORSHP** 

One: We come this day to continue our celebration of Christmas.

All: God's love born to us!

One: The world may have moved on to the next holiday

All: But our joy cannot be contained to just one day!

One: So let us praise the Lord!

All: Let us praise the Lord in worship and song!

**HYMN SING** 

**UNISON PRAYER** 

O God,

into a world of clerics and kings you sent your child to teach the wise and show the world what power there is in love.

Keep us vigilant

to hear the voices

of those who speak your truth.

In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen. \*\*

SCRIPTURE LESSON | Samuel 2:18-20, 26

p. 214 Santa Biblia p. 221

**ANTHEM** "Ding, Dong, Merrily on High" arr. Near

**CHILDREN'S MOMENTS** 

**HYMN** "Love Came Down At Christmas"

UMH 242 vs. 1

\*GOSPEL LESSON Luke 2:41-52

p. 833 Santa Biblia. 787

\*HYMN "Love Came Down At Christmas" UMH 242 vs. 3

**SERMON** "Looking For Jesus" Rev. Daniel Cardenas

**RESPONSE** "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" UMH 229 vs. 1

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.
LORD'S PRAYER

**RESPONSE** "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" UMH 229 vs. 2

**OFFERTORY** "Good People, All This Christmas Time" Tucker

\*DOXOLOGY UMH 94

\*CLOSING HYMN "Go Tell It On The Mountain" UMH 251

**POSTLUDE** "Let It Snow" arr. Jule Styne

"It Came Upon A Midnight Clear" Faber

"We Wish You A Merry Christmas" Faber

Maya Fairchild, piano

\*Please rise

\*\*from Feasting on the Word, Kimberly Bracken Long, editor

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### 13 Music Notes

"Ding, Dong, Merrily on High" is a familiar hymn in most Anglican hymnals but is not in the United Methodist Hymnal. It is usually a popular Christmas Hymn in concerts and has gained international exposure as it's often included in King's College at Cambridge's "Lessons and Carols".

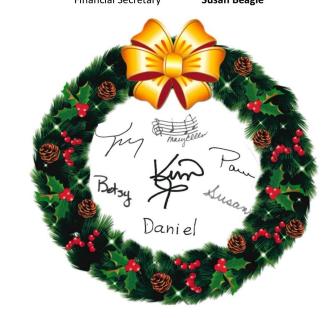
The 16th century tune was discovered by 19th century English composer and church ringer George Woodward and he penned the text and first published it with the tune in 1924. The text uses poetry that makes its sound much older than it really is—such as using Middle English words such as swungen, sungen, and rime. There is a long "Gloria" much like the one found in "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" that is fun to sing and requires a long intake of breath! We have added handbells to the piece to add a bit of "sparkle" to this after Christmas anthem.

Mary Ellen Clinard

## Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from the Staff!

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### This Week at First Church

**SUNDAY 29 First Sunday of Christmas** 

9 am Sunday School — IN PERSON & ONLINE

10:30 am Worship — IN PERSON & ONLINE

Nursery: Dave & Patty McGraw

MONDAY 30 Breakfast Club

TUESDAY 31

8 am

WEDNESDAY Jan.1, 2025—HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Office Closed
THURSDAY 2
FRIDAY 3

Noon First Friday Concert—Jimmie Rogers

**SATURDAY 4** 

**SUNDAY 5 Epiphany Sunday** 

9 am Sunday School — IN PERSON & ONLINE

10:30 am Worship — IN PERSON & ONLINE

Nursery: Sue Faulkner & Rose Morgan

4:00 pm Shalom Winter Shelter starts

## Prayer Concerns

#### Members of the Church Family:

Bob Rogers

Bob Weineke

Judy Smith

Jerry Slama

Don Burley

Kathy Wright

Debbie Ellis

John Regensburg

Bill & Pat Schaefer

Tom Atkinson

Herman Emmert

All Our Homebound Members

#### Family & Friends of the Church:

Kerry Byrd, husband of Brenda Byrd Laurie Rogers, daughter of Bob & Becky Rogers Carolyn J Howard, niece of Mary Maurer Thomas Swank II, nephew of Steve

Swank & Melanie Alderton Darnell Williams, step son-in-law of

Brenda Bvrd

Pam Zenefski, aunt of Cory Smarzinski

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Ray Neusch, friend of Tom & Chris

Buchert

Sandi Valandingham, friend of Gloria Freeman

Tracy Snyder, sister of Vickie Frazer

Tim Brown, nephew of Mary
Maurer

Marcia Young, friend of Glenna Combs

Carl Shiflett, husband of Sandi Shiflett and father of Angela Murphy

David Hezlep & Kathy Hezlep brother & sister of Tim

Hezlep

Kate Huffman, daughter of Sue Faulkner

Mary E., Friend of Sue Faulkner

## Announcements

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Holiday Schedule:

Monday 30 9 am—1 pm Tuesday 31 9 am—5 pm

Wednesday Jan 1 Office Closed

Thursday 2 9 am—5 pm Friday 3 9 am—1 pm

Beginning January 6, 2025:

Monday 9 am - noon

Tuesday 9 am - 5 pm

Wednesday 9 am - 5 pm

Thursday 9 am - 5 pm

Friday Closed

#### THANK YOU!

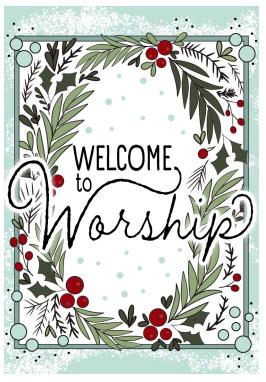
Thanks to your generosity some of our neighbors will have hats & gloves to help them stay warm and some of them will be able to get a meal at local establishments. Our pantry users had sugar to help with the extra needs that the holidays bring. These are only a few of the ways that we have used to live up to our motto "Christ Our Life, Service Our Lifestyle". Happy New Year!

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