



**Washington Street
United Methodist Church**
(Pre-Videoed)

Liturgical Color: White, symbolizing the coming of the Christ Child
Washington Street UMC ~ Sanctuary

December 27, 2020

First Sunday after Christmas

PRELUDE

In dulci jubilo, BWV 729
Louis Shirer, organ

Johann Sebastian Bach

WELCOME (*Instructions for Interactive Worship*)

You may create your sanctuary in any space, for all things belong to God. You are invited to light a candle with us, read the texts with us, and then sing along with the carols and join in with the prayers as printed in the worship guide and on the screen.

CALL TO WORSHIP *

Let us dance with delight in the Lord and let our heart be filled with rejoicing and our voices be lifted in praise

For eternal salvation has appeared on the earth. Hallelujah!

CAROL 250

Once in Royal David's City

IRBY

(vs. 1, 2, 4)

1. Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,
where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his
bed; Mary, loving mother mild, Jesus Christ, her little
child.
2. He came down to earth from heaven who is God and
Lord of all, and his shelter was a stable, and his
cradle was a stall. With the poor, the scorned, the
lowly lived on earth our Savior holy.
4. And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own
redeeming love; for that child so dear and gentle is
our Lord in heaven above; and he leads his children
on to the place where he is gone.

Shelley Maddox, soprano; Louis Shirer, organ
Words: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1848; Music: Henry J. Gauntlett, 1849

OPENING PRAYER *

God of compassion, on this day your Holy Spirit revealed the salvation you had prepared for all peoples to the devout Simeon and Anna, who had waited until late in life. Grant that we, too, may adore your Son, Jesus Christ, a light to the Gentiles and the glory of Israel, so we may proclaim him to all your world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*In Unison*)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CAROL 217

Away in a Manger

AWAY IN A MANGER

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.

2. The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes;
I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky
and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

3. Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay
close by me forever, and love me, I pray;
bless all the dear children in thy tender care,
and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

Shelley Maddox, soprano; Louis Shirer, organ

Words: Anon.; Music: James R. Murray, 1887

RESPONSIVE READING

ONE: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise the Lord from the heights!

ALL: Praise the Lord, all his angels, praise the Lord, all his hosts!

ONE: Praise the Lord, sun and moon, praise the Lord, all shining stars!

ALL: Praise the Lord, highest heavens, and all waters above the heavens!

(*Psalm 148:1-4*)

from *Messiah*

George Frideric Handel

RECITATIVE

Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened

ARIA

He Shall Feed His Flock

Shelley Maddox, soprano; Louis Shirer, organ

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 2:22-40

PROCLAMATION

Jesus, What a Wonderful Child

Rev. Lippert

CAROL 246

Joy to the World

ANTIOCH

(*v. 1, 2, 4*)

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;
let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Helen Lewis-Carter
December 17, 2020

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord ..."

2. Joy to the world, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ;
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness, and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.
Words: Isaac Watts, 1719; Music: arr. from G. F. Handel, 1741, by Lowell Mason 1848
Shelley Maddox, soprano; Louis Shirer,

BENEDICTION

**UM Book of Worship, 274, adapted; 316*

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Rev. Parrish joins the entire staff and Washington Street Church family in expressing our deepest sympathy and Christian love to Mr. James Carter and family in the passing of his wife, Mrs. Helen-Lewis Carter.

WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY

The rose on the pulpit is placed in celebration of Janelle (Nelle) Cotter Parker, born November 28, 2020. Parents, Cotter and Conner Parker, grandmother, Jan Cotter



Jenkins, and great grandmother, Janet Cotter, welcome Nelle to their family as we welcome her to the Washington Street family.

NOW IS THE TIME TO GIVE!

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