# Welcome to

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Opening Doors with Christ, One Another, and Our Neighbors

Christmas Eve December 24, 2020 7:00 pm



135 West Simpson Street, Mechanicsburg 717-766-4611 www.fumchurch.com



# **Sunday Services:**

Worship with us online each Sunday at fumchurch.com beginning at 8:15am.

# Welcome, Friends,

to First Church and to this celebration.

Christmas is a time of joy, a time of remembrance, a time of hope, a time of sharing, a time of worship.

In this hour together we endeavor to focus our minds and heart on the Good News of great joy.

The God of the universe, the God of the ages, comes to us in human form, as a baby, not only to express God's love to us, but to save us.

It is an incredible, miraculous, wondrous event, which we remember and celebrate.

Thank you for joining us.

### **LEADING in WORSHIP**

PREACHING: Rev. Dr. Dennis Keller

LITURGIST: Rev. John Shellenberger

WORSHIP TEAM: Kathie Bittenbender, Caleb Flick, Sarah Pugh, Rev. John

Shellenberger

**SOUND and MEDIA TEAM:** Ryan Eaton, Kyle Eaton, Michael Garman, Jason

Kichline, Holly Kurten, Roger Walton

# Prelude "O Come O Come Emmanuel"

Introit "Once in Royal David's City"

Welcome

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Christmas Carol
"O Come All Ye Faithful"

**Opening Prayer** 

Scripture Reading Isaiah 9: 2-7

Handbell Anthem "Do You Hear What I Hear?"

Gospel Reading Luke 2: 1-7

Christmas Carol "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Gospel Reading Luke 2: 8-20

Ministry of Music "Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming"

The Message "Do Not Be Afraid"

# Anthem "The Yearning"

Signs of Peace & Offering

The Great Thanksgiving and Communion

Christmas Carol & Candle Lighting "Silent Night"

Benediction

Christmas Carol "Joy to the World"

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