

THE REEL CHRISTMAS STORY



December 24, 2021 **Family Candlelight Christmas Eve** 4:00 P.M.
 A United Methodist Community in Moorestown, New Jersey
"A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ with a hurting world through words and actions."

PRELUDE Trumpet Tune on "The First Noel"
 "Good Christians All, Rejoice"
 Elizabeth Gatton, Trumpet

WELCOME Pastor Gina

***CAROL #234** **O Come, All Ye Faithful** (vv 1&3)

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Pastor Jess

L: On a night long ago, when the stars shone brightly in the sky,

All: Jesus Christ was born.

L: Underneath the light of one especially bright star,

All: Jesus Christ was born.

L: In a plain and simple manger,

All: Jesus Christ was born.

L: With animals gathered all around,

All: Jesus Christ was born.

L: Wrapped in a mother's embrace and a father's care,

All: Jesus Christ was born.

L: So that we might know God better,

All: Jesus Christ was born.

LIGHTING OF CHRIST CANDLE

The Stewart Family

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Jess

Wondrous God, open our hearts and minds so we may hear once again the angels' song and know that Christ is born for us and for all. Touch the world with joy this holy night, and fill us with peace and childlike wonder. Surprise us and bless us with the simple miracle of the birth of the Christ child. Amen.

SING WITH JOY

The Twelve Days of Christmas

Pastor Gina

(Please use insert)

SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:1-7

Pastor Jess

CAROL # 219

What Child is This (vv 1&3)

CELEBRATING OUR GIFTS FOR MISSION & MINISTRY Pastor Jess

We welcome all who worship with us tonight. We ask you to prayerfully consider giving generously to support the ministries of FUMC and the communities we serve for Christ. You can place your offering and the Attendance Card including any special prayer requests you may have in the offering basket located in worship space or send them to church@meetwithGod.com.

CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Pastor Jess

CAROL #230

O Little Town of Bethlehem (vv 1 & 4)

TELLING THE CHRISTMAS STORY ~ A Charlie Brown Christmas

The Young Followers Youth Group

***CAROL #240**

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

(Young Followers will sing vs 1; congregation stands & joins on vv 2&3)

MEDITATION **Finding the True Meaning of Christmas** Pastor Gina

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES Pastors Gina and Jess

L: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world!"

ALL: We will let the Light of Christ shine in us!

Battery operated candles are available for small children or any who request one. Please light your candle from another lit candle, do not tip a lit candle.

***CAROL # 239** **Silent Night** *sung while lighting*

***CAROL #246** **Joy to the World** *(vv 1, 2 & 4)*

***CHRISTMAS BLESSING** Pastor Gina

***POSTLUDE**

***Please Stand as Able**

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COME AND WORSHIP WITH US!

On December 26th 10:00am combined Worship Service; All other Sundays:

9:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

Both services are live streamed on Facebook and YouTube

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