

ST. DAVID'S (SHERMAN'S) UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 19, 2021

9:30 AM

WORDS TO PONDER

"Praise to the newborn King,
who through His love has redeemed us!"

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light.

PEOPLE: **They that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.**

LEADER: For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulder.

UNISON: **And His name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.**

MUSIC: "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence," Choir

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

LEADER: Long ago, God spoke to the people of Israel through the prophet Micah.

PEOPLE: **Micah promised them a ruler from the tiny town of Bethlehem to love the people the way a shepherd loves the sheep.**

LEADER: Mary's baby was born in Bethlehem, and she sang of God's love.

PEOPLE: **It is a love that puts down the mighty from their thrones and raises up the lowly. It is a love that fills the hungry with good things and sends the rich away empty.**

LEADER: We light this candle of love celebrating the love that came from Bethlehem, the love that changes everything.

(The candle is lit)

UNISON: **O God of love, from a stable in a tiny town You taught us the meaning of love. Help us to rejoice with Mary at how Your love changes everything. AMEN**

MUSIC: "O Come, All Ye Faithful," Instrumental Group

NARRATION: "THE PROMISE"

MUSIC: "O Little Town of Bethlehem," Bell Choir

MUSIC: "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus," Choir

NARRATION: "THE PREPARATION"

HYMN: "O Come, O Come Emmanuel," #88 Red

HYMN: "Hail to the Lord's Anointed," #336 Red

NARRATION: "THE COMING"

HYMN: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," #107 Red

HYMN: "Silent Night," #134 Black

MUSIC: "Once in Royal David's City," Choir

NARRATION: "THE ANNOUNCEMENT"

MUSIC: "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" and "Angels We Have Heard on High,"
Instrumental Group

HYMN: "Go Tell It on the Mountain," #154 Black

NARRATION: "THE WORSHIP"

HYMN: "The First Noel," #118 Red

MUSIC: "We Three Kings," Choir Men

NARRATION: "THE CELEBRATION"

MUSIC: "Joy to the World," Bell Choir

HYMN: "Joy to the World," #120 Red

UNISON BENEDICTION

**We will sing to the glory of God and proclaim the great things God has done.
The good news of saving grace will be on our lips and in our lives. AMEN**

CANTATA PARTICIPANTS

CHOIR

Director: Emily Caltrider

Organ/Piano: Sally McClintock

Ginny Clouser

Linda Miller

Pam Hartman

Scott Sager

Dee Hertzog

Shirley Sager

Bob Klinedinst

Sharon Senft

Cindy Klinedinst

Jim Wissler

Darrell Miller

Karen Wissler

INSTRUMENTALISTS

Galen Brubaker: Trombone

Jessica Morris: Baritone

Zach Jackson: Bass

Tommy Morris: Alto Sax

Dennis Mann: Trumpet

David Wood : Tuba

Tyler Moffitt: Trumpet

NARRATOR

Branson Fuhrman

BELL CHOIR

Emily Caltrider

Karen Wissler

Lucy Halter

Hattie Zumbrum

Dolly Norris

Sarah Zumbrum