Open Doors – Growing Faith!
No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here!

We welcome visitors and newcomers!
We are an “Open and Affirming” Church

Christmas Pageant
Dec 22, 2019
December 22, 2019
5:00 PM

* The congregation is invited to stand.

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Sue Remick

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mia Ciavarra and Mckenna Gray

Leader: In the twenty-fourth day of the month of December;

People: In the year five-thousand one-hundred and ninety-nine from the creation of the world, when in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth;

Leader: In the year two-thousand nine-hundred and fifty-seven from the flood;

People: In the year two-thousand and fifty-one from the birth of Abraham;

Leader: In the year one-thousand five-hundred and ten from the going forth of the people of Egypt under Moses;

People: In the year one-thousand and thirty-two from the anointing of David as king;

Leader: In the sixty-fifth week according to the prophecy of Daniel;

People: In the one-hundred and ninety-fourth Olympiad;

Leader: In the year seven-hundred and fifty-two from the foundation of the city of Rome;

People: In the forty-second year of the reign of the Emperor Octavian Augustus;

Leader: In the sixth age of the world, while the whole earth was at peace;

People: Jesus, Son of the Heavenly Father, having been conceived of the Holy Ghost, and the nine months of His conception being now accomplished, was born in Bethlehem of Judah of the Virgin Mary, made man.

(adapted From the Roman Martyrology www.catholicculture.org)

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Mallika Das

Isaiah 9:6

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Heavenly Father, Creator of the universe, of heaven and earth, help us to hear, help us to understand, help us to believe. Amen.
THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts)
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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

THE NATIVITY
(Matthew 1-2 and Luke 1-2)
Carolyn Bent & Faith Formation Children

“FIRST VERSE SING-A-LONG”

“Silent Night”
Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright.
Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child.
Holy infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”
O little town of Bethlehem
How still we see thee lie
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight

“What Child Is This?”
What Child is this
Who laid to rest
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom Angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?

“Angels We Have Heard on High”
Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains

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“We Three Kings of Orient Are”
We three kings of orient are,
Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.

“O Holy Night”
The stars are brightly shining
It is the night of our dear Savior’s birth
Long lay the world in sin and error pining
Till he appeared and the soul felt its worth

The thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices
For yonder brinks a new and glorious morn
Fall on your knees
O hear the angel voices
O night divine
O night when Christ was born
O night divine
O night, O night divine

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN #119  “O Come, O Come Emmanuel  VENI EMMANUEL

“It’s A Wonderful Life”  Youth Group & Mission Trip Team

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS  CoCo Fitzgibbons and Marie-Anna Das
Jesus, the Light of the World, as we celebrate Your birth, may we begin to see the world in the light of the understanding You give us. As You chose the lowly, the outcasts, and the poor to receive the greatest news the world has ever known, so may we worship You in meekness of heart.
May we also be diligent in caring for our brothers and sisters less fortunate than ourselves. May we remember our charge to care for the earth and all of creation, in this season of giving and always. May we give joyously and graciously in Jesus’ name.

“PEACE ON EARTH” Mission Trip 2020 ~ Sea Turtle Conservation Project

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Rev. Sue

*CLOSING HYMN
“Let There Be Peace on Earth” WORLD PEACE

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;
Let There Be Peace on Earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God as our Father, brothers all are we
Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.
Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

*BENEDICTION
Lauren Gray and Kyle Glennon

Almighty God and Father of Light, a child is born for us and a son is given to us. Your eternal Word streams down from heaven in the silent watches of the night, and now Your Church is filled with wonder at the nearness of her God. Open our hearts to receive His life and increase our vision with the rising of dawn, that our lives may be filled with His glory and His peace, with His grace and His understanding, with His light and His never ending, all-inclusive love. Amen.

Please join us downstairs, in the vestry for our annual “Cookie Walk”

“THE NATIVITY” CAST:

NARRATOR........ Carolyn Bent
GABRIEL.......... Jeffrey Stillitano
MARY.............. Megan Cavanaugh
JOSEPH............ Cameron Glennon
INN KEEPER........ Sandy Horton
SHEPHERD......... Karissa Kocou
SHEPHERD......... Lexi Lovely
WISE MAN.......... Sage Pambah
WISE MAN.......... Louis Hight
WISE MAN.......... Lawson Jackson
KING HEROD... Linda Borglund
ANGELS.......... Suzy Di Terlizzi
AMELIA KOCOU
Norma Jean
Nora Hubbard
Lucy Stillitano
Kristina Di Terlizzi
SHEEP............ Karl Pambah
Trevor Lovely
JESUS............. Isaac & Simon Parent
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MR. POTTER’S GOON....... Deven Ruberti
PRINCIPLE................... Isabelle Washington

LIGHTS & SOUNDS......... Claire Lord & Cameron Brigham

COSTUME & MAKE UP…... Bridget Lord

57 Participants 21 Preschool and Elementary
22 Middle and High School
6 College
8 Adults

MISSION TRIP TEAM 2020 ~ COSTA RICA CONSERVATION PROJECT

Mallory Walker Mallika Das Marie-Anna Das Marketa Rosecka Jamie Hight Emily Hight Maggie Fox Lori Fox Linda Borgland Elena Moskal Andrew Kafumbe Angela Nebakka Nick Louloudes

Lauren Gray Ally Gray Mckenna Gray Nila Gray Brett Reardon Gary Reardon Amanda Pu Ruiz Sandy Horton Belinda Roy Kyle Glennon Wendy Reardon

“It’s up to us to save the world for tomorrow, it’s up to you and me.” - Jane Goodall
Don’t forget to join us for our Christmas Eve Service at 7pm

We look forward to seeing everyone @ faith formation in 2020!

Please join us down in the vestry after the pageant for the cookie walk