

LOVE GOD ~ REACH PEOPLE ~ SERVE ALL

December 22, 2024

4th Sunday of Advent

11am

PRELUDE Carol of the Bells FMC Bell Choir

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Gina Hendrickson

*CALL TO WORSHIP Jeremiah Appleton

Leader: In every heart there lies a Bethlehem,

People: A place where light shines with tender memories,

Leader: A place where angelic voices are clearer,

People: A place of wonder and awe, delight and calm,

Leader: A place where the humility of shepherds and the wisdom of Magi embrace.

People: In my heart, I prize my Bethlehem moments.

Leader: Come to Bethlehem, kneel in wonder, **People: Let us worship with songs of praise!**

*CAROL #210 All Earth is Waiting

OPENING PRAYER Jeremiah

Holy God, open our hearts and minds to the deep melody of your love. Create in us an inner space where we know the wonder of angel songs and baby smiles. Rekindle in us the simple trust of lowly shepherds and the bold risking of traveling Magi. Holy God, let us know this song and story are meant for our healing and our encouragement. Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Bob and Mary Keppel

MINISTRY IMPACT MOMENT

Beth Stewart & James Owens, FMC Lay Leaders

THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS CANTATA

FIRST READING THE SPIRIT OF HOPE Pastor Gina

CAROL #242 Love Came Down at Christmas

SECOND READING THE SPIRIT OF PRAISE Jeremiah & Jen Dunne

MUSIC Magnificat Fettke

Soloist Joanna Barton, FMC Worship Choir

BIDDING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER Pastor Gina

THIRD READING THE SPIRIT OF JOY Pastor Gina

MUSIC We've Got Good News to Tell Besig

Soloists Doug Sell & Joyce Scheyhing; FMC Worship Choir

OFFERING OUR GIFTS OF LOVE

Jeremiah

We ask you to prayerfully consider giving generously to support the ministries of FMC and the communities we serve for Christ. You can place your offering in the plate as the ushers pass it to you. There is also a basket located in the rear of the sanctuary. Gifts can also be given online and prayers can be emailed to church@fmcmoorestown.com.

OFFERING MUSIC I Want to Walk as a Child of Light arr Forrest

FMC Choir & Congregation (see Insert)

THE SPIRIT OF PEACE FIFTH READING Jeremiah

CAROL #218 It Came Upon a Midnight Clear (vv 1&2)

THE SPIRIT OF LOVE Pastor Gina & Jeremiah SIXTH READING

MUSIC Come Celebrate McClure

FMC Worship Choir

O Little Town of Bethlehem *CAROL #230

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE



 * Special thanks to all the members of FMC Music Ministry who shared God's praises in this Cantata!

COME AND WORSHIP WITH US!

Tuesday, December 24th - Christmas Eve Candlelight Services:

4:00 P.M. Family-Friendly Contemporary Service 7:00 P.M. Traditional Service with Bells & Brass

Next Sunday, December 29th - 10:00 A.M. Combined Worship Service

Join us for Carol singing and discover how Jesus is the Gift that keeps on Giving!

ALL OTHER SUNDAYS

9:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship | 11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship

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