

NELSON MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

December 24, 2009

7:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Celebration

Prelude “O Come, Emmanuel” & “God Rest Ye Merry Gentleman”
Tim and Gayle VonEngeln, Violin & Flute Duet

Scripture Reading John 1:1-6 Pew Bible pg. NT 91

“O Come, All Ye Faithful” (vs. 1, 3, 4) (Congregation) Hymnal #234

Scripture Reading Luke 1:46-55 Pew Bible pg. NT 57

“Ave Maria” Jennifer Davis

Scripture Reading Luke 2:1-7 Pew Bible pg. NT 58

“Sleep O Holy Child from Heaven” Laura Wax

Scripture Reading Luke 2:8-20 Pew Bible pg. NT 58

“O Holy Night” Debby and Jennifer Davis

Scripture Reading Matthew 2:1-2, 10-11 Pew Bible pg. NT 2

“We Three Kings” Andrew Davis, Trumpet

Christmas Meditation Pastor Elmer

Celebration of Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Communion Servers: Tom and Sandy Halford



Hymnal #13-15

During Communion you are encouraged to sing these hymns as they are played!

♫ “The First Noel” Hymnal #245 (vs. 1 & 2)

♫ “It Came upon the Midnight Clear” Hymnal #218 (vs. 1 & 4)

♫ “Hark! the Herald Angels Sing” Hymnal #240 (vs. 1 & 3)

♫ “O Little Town of Bethlehem” Hymnal #230 (vs. 1 & 2)

♫ “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly” Hymnal #229 (vs. 1 & 2)

♫ “What Child Is This” Hymnal #219 (vs. 1 & 3)



Lighting of the Christ Candle & Candles of Christmas
(see back page)

“Silent Night, Holy Night” (vs. 1 - 4) (Congregation) Hymnal #239

Benediction

Postlude Nancy Ward



***The Poinsettia near the altar was given
In Loving Memory of***

Earl and Evolene Pattison
from Janie, Bonnie and Allen

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastor	Elmer D. McClafflin
Organist	Nancy Ward
Chancel Choir Director	Debby K. Davis
Head Ushers	Bill & Nancy Parker

Lighting of the Christ Candle

McClafflin Family

Reader 1: Rejoice, people of God! The light has come into the world.
O God, now we light the candle of your nativity!

Reader 2: With the company of heaven and with sounds of great joy,
you come to us. This is the time of light and resplendent joy.

Reader 1: The prophet Isaiah proclaimed a time when those who
walked in the shadows would see a great light. A light would
shine and a child would be born to us. The evangelist Luke
painted the nativity sky and repeated the heavenly song of
the angels, "Glory, peace on earth and goodwill!" John
declared that this great light is Christ, the Word made flesh.
This great light lives among us. By it we behold God's glory—
full of grace and truth. At Christ's nativity, we now rejoice.

People: God, our Life and Light, thank you for coming this night
to us. Thanks for touching all heaven and earth with
your splendor. In every corner of the world, shine (this
night) with your peace. In every corner of our hearts,
shine this night with your grace. Amen.

Behold!



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