

Mount Olivet United Methodist Church

December 24, 2020 ~ Christmas Eve

7:00 PM

WELCOME		Nathan Schierer
CHRISTMAS CAROLS		Resounding Praise
LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE		Matt Seals
PRAYER		Emily Hall
SONG	“Mary Did You Know?”	Resounding Praise
READING OF THE WORD		Luke 2:1-20
MEDITATION	<i>Not So Silent Night</i>	Matt Seals
INVITATION TO THANKFULNESS		
SPECIAL MUSIC	“O Holy Night”	Nathan Schierer
LOVE FEAST		Michelle Lewis
PASSING OF THE LIGHT	“Silent Night”	All
BENEDICTION		



The Christmas Eve Offering will be given to Ocracoke UMC

As our Christmas Outreach; we will be collecting donations for the Ocracoke UMC to rebuild their church and community. Any donation is tax deductible and can be made through Mt. Olivet. Make checks payable to **Mt. Olivet UMC** & include **Christmas Eve Offering**, on the memo line.

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The Love Feast

Sung: Be present at our table, Lord; Be here and everywhere adored; Thy creatures bless, and grant that we May feast in paradise with Thee. (JOHN CENICK)

Prayer: God of earth and heaven,
Feed all your hungry children,
Grant our spirits your grace,
Given through immortal bread.
Give us and the entire human race
Through Jesus Christ,
The sweetness of your pardoning grace,
The manna of your love.

As you share in this love feast reflect on these questions:

What is God saying to me this night?
What am I going to do in response to what God is saying?

Song of Reflection

What Child Is This?

All Pray:

O Holy God,
On the eve of the birth of your Son Jesus
We raise our Hallelujah's
In celebration of the birth
Of the one that will change the world.
We thank you for the transformation
That has already taken place
On the inside of us, and that will continue.
We thank you for the transformation
That will take place in the world
Because of the one that will be born
Who feeds all people, and
Grants, love, peace, joy, and hope
To all.

We pray all these things in the name
Of your Son Jesus Christ, who
Will be born, is born, and is born again.

Amen.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

O come O come Emmanuel and ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear
Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel shall come to thee O Israel

O come Thou Dayspring come and cheer our spirits by Thine advent here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight
Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel shall come to thee O Israel

O come Thou Wisdom from on high and order all things far and nigh
To us the path of knowledge show and cause us in her ways to go
Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel shall come to thee O Israel

O come Desire of nations bind all peoples in one heart and mind
Bid envy strife and quarrels cease
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace
Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel shall come to thee O Israel

The First Noel

The first Noel the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep
On a cold winter's night that was so deep
Noel Noel Noel Noel Born is the King of Israel

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east beyond them far
And to the earth it gave great light
And so it continued both day and night
Noel Noel Noel Noel Born is the King of Israel

And by the light of that same star
Three wise men came from country far
To seek for a king was their intent
And to follow the star wherever it went
Noel Noel Noel Noel Born is the King of Israel

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King
Peace on earth and mercy mild god and sinners reconciled
Joyful all ye nations rise join the triumph of the skies
With th'angelic hosts proclaim Christ is born in Bethlehem
Hark the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King

Christ by highest heav'n adored Christ the everlasting Lord
Late in time behold Him come offspring of the Virgin's womb
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see hail th'incarnate Deity
Pleased as man with men to dwell Jesus our Emmanuel
Hark the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace hail the Sun of Righteousness
Light and life to all He brings ris'n with healing in His wings
Mild He lays His glory by born that man no more may die
Born to raise the sons of earth born to give them second birth
Hark the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King

Away in a Manger

Away in a manger no crib for a bed
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head
The stars in the sky looked down where He lay
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing the Baby awakes
But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes
I love Thee Lord Jesus look down from the sky
And stay by my cradle 'til morning is nigh

Be near me Lord Jesus I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever and love me I pray
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care
And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there

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.

Silent night, holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light;
Radiant beams from Thy holy face with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

Silent night, holy night wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!