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Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Rev. Shawn Gauthier

<u>In-person and live streamed</u> from the UCV Sanctuary – **December 24, 2023**



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THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY LORRAINE CALAME.

TONIGHT'S OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES FUND RECIPIENT

From November, 2023 to February, 2024, our Outreach Opportunities Fund recipient will be the Food Stash Foundation. Food Stash Foundation has a twofold mission: to prevent good food from going to waste and provide dignified food access to promote a thriving planet and a healthy community. We collect over 100,000 pounds of food per month that would have gone to waste, deliver to 35 charity partners, deliver Rescued Food Boxes to 100 plus households and serve 140 rescued food market members.





CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP: 7:00PM, DECEMBER 24, 2023

Prelude The Truth From Above

Coventry Carol

Do You Hear What I Hear? Mary's Little Boy Child The Little Drummer Boy Trad. / arr't R.V. Williams / E.D.

Trad. / arr't E.D.

Trad. / arr't Mark Hayes Trad. / arr't Mark Hayes Trad. / arr't Mark Hayes

Elliott Dainow, piano

Words of Welcome Rev. Shawn Gauthier

Kindling the Chalice Flame Rev. Shawn Gauthier

Opening Carol #253: O Come, All Ye Faithful

Call to Worship Words of Gretchen Haley Read by Karl Perrin

Lighting of the Advent WreathRead by Karl Perrin

Carol #228: Once in Royal David's City

Reading The Gospel of Luke 2: 1-19 Read by Meena Wong

Carol #241: In the Bleak Midwinter

Responsive Reading #621: Why Not A Star By Margaret Gooding

Read by Rev. Shawn Gauthier

Offering Mary's Little Boy Child Trad. / arr't Mark Hayes

Stan Ridley, baritone; Elliott Dainow, piano

We continue to support the work of this congregation and our outreach opportunities recipient through an online offering. You may use <u>text-to-give</u> now (Simply text an amount to 778-771-1707 to get started today, or visit http://ucv.im/give for more information!) or <u>donate online</u> through our secure Breeze interface.

Reading Fear Not By Lynn Ungar

Read by Karl Perrin

Carol #246: O, Little Town of Bethlehem

Reading Annunciation to the Shepherds By Lynn Ungar

Read by Karl Perrin

Carol #239: Go Tell It on the Mountain

ReadingThe Camels Speak

By Lynn Ungar

Read by Meena Wong

Carol #259: We Three Kings

Reading The Queens Came Late By Norma Farber

Stan Ridley, baritone; Elliott Dainow, piano

Homily *Magnum Mysterium* Rev. Shawn Gauthier

Carol #247: The First Nowell

Candle Lighting Ceremony Rev. Shawn Gauthier

Carol #251: Silent Night

Christmas Prayer Rev. Shawn Gauthier

Carol #231: Angels We Have Heard on High

Benediction The Work of Christmas By Howard Thurman

Read by Rev. Shawn Gauthier

Recessional #245: Joy, to the World!



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*Please note that the office will be closed for the holidays from December 21 through to January 3. We look forward to serving you in the New Year!