

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
December 24, 2013 -10:00 p.m.**

Prelude

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

Praetorius

*** Call to Worship**

Leader: In the beginning God spoke, saying "Let there be light!"

People: And behold, there was light! And the light was very good!

L: Today, God is still speaking, saying; "Let there be light!"

P: And again, the light is very good!

L: Out of emptiness and darkness, God calls forth Creation and Life;

P: The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it.

L: Tonight, as we stand in the glowing candle light;

ALL: We rejoice that the Light of Christ is with us and within us!

*** The Carol** O Come, All Ye Faithful

O Come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!
O come ye , O come ye to Bethlehem.
Come and behold him, born the King of Angels.

Refrain: O come let us adore him .O come let us adore him.
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest! [Refrain]

Yea, Lord we greet thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus to thee be all glory given.
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing. [Refrain]

*** Prayer of Invocation [Unison]**

Creative Holy One, on this Holy Night we joyously celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ with songs of praise and stories of old. Inspire our hearts and energize our voices to sing and speak of Christ's love wherever we may be. Like Mary

and Joseph, help us to prepare a welcoming place for Jesus' birth among us. Like the shepherds at work on the hillside, help us to gladly receive and share your Good News on our jobs, in our homes, and throughout our communities. Help us to be kind and gracious, so that through our welcoming of others, we might gladly welcome Christ once again. Amen!

Lighting the Christ Candle [from *Isaiah* Chapter 9]

Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

People: Those who dwelt in the land of deep shadow, upon them has a light shined!

L: For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given.

P: And the government shall be upon his shoulders;

L: And he shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Prince of Peace!

P: On this holy night, a light shines through the darkness.

L: It is the Light of Christ, the Light of Love!

P: Christ comes to warm our hearts and to show us the way.

L: Illuminate our lives, O Holy One, that we may receive you with joy!

All: Fill us with Your Spirit, that your Holy Light may shine in us and through us!

The Reading	Luke 2:1-7	
The Carol	O Little Town of Bethlehem	#133
The Reading	Luke 2:8-14	
The Carol	Angels We Have Heard on High	#125
The Reading	Luke 2:15-20	
The Carol	What Child is This	#148
The Word	<i>Mixed Messages</i>	Pastor Dave Shackle
Choir Anthem	Love came down at Christmas	Thiman
Christmas Offering		
The Offertory	Coventry Carol	16 th century English

*** Presentation of the Offering**

What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man, I would do my part;
Yet what I can, I give him - Give him my heart.

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

The Invitation

Communion

The Blessing

*** Sharing the Light of Christ**

Please form a circle around the pews, receive the Light, and pass it on

*** O Holy Night**

O Holy Night! The stars are brightly shining,
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth.
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.
Fall on your knees! Oh, hear the angel voices!
O night divine, O night when Christ was born;
O night, divine!
O night, O night divine!

*** The Prayer**

***The Carol**

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.

*** Benediction**

*** The Carol**

Joy to the World

Joy to the world! The Lord has come;
Let earth receive its King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns;
Let all their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness
And wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.

The Postlude

Unto us a boy is born! (Puer Nobis)

15th century German

BUCC ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR OFFERING TONIGHT will go to The Christmas Fund, to be use by the United Church of Christ Board of Pensions to augment small pensions of retired clergy and lay workers, and also to support an emergency fund for UCC pensioners.

PASTOR DAVE WILL BE ON VACATION from Dec. 25th to Jan.2nd. **PASTOR JOHN KING** has graciously offered to be available in the event of a pastoral emergency. He can be reached at West Park UCC [216-671-7228] or by cell phone [330-475-4206].



2013 POINSETTIAS

<i>Cindy Burton</i>	<i>In Memory of her Parents, William L. Burton & Delores R. Burton.</i>
<i>Joanne Cook</i>	<i>In Memory of The Deeter Family, Robert and Willie Deeter, and twin sister, Jeanne Durig, and in Memory of her Beloved Husband Skip Cook.</i>
<i>Jeanne R. Cowden</i>	<i>In Memory of James W. Cowden.</i>
<i>Marjorie Culver</i>	<i>In Memory of her Husband Dick, and Nancianne Martin.</i>
<i>Jim & Peg Duffy</i>	<i>Happy Birthday Jesus!</i>
<i>Dottie & Jim Farwell</i>	<i>In Honor of Dottie's Mother.</i>

<i>Anna Mary Fisher</i>	<i>In Memory of Loved Ones.</i>
<i>Dorie Gabor</i>	<i>In Memory of her Husband, Steven Gabor.</i>
<i>Joy Garapic</i>	<i>In Memory of William Garapic, Husband, Father, Grandfather.</i>
<i>Diane Gressley</i>	<i>In Memory of Pauline Farina, and Emma & Evan Gressley.</i>
<i>Phyllis Hassler</i>	<i>In Memory of Frank Hassler.</i>
<i>Agnes Hastings</i>	<i>In Loving Memory of Phil Hastings (Husband)</i>
<i>Sons, Daughters, Daughters-in-Law, & Grandchildren of Phil Hastings</i>	<i>"We Love you Papa"</i>
<i>Mac and Marianne Hoppel</i>	<i>In Honor of the Karwowski-Hoppel Families.</i>
<i>Dassie Matsuoka & Daughters</i>	<i>In Memory of James Matsuoka.</i>
<i>David Pastor</i>	<i>In Memory of Eleanor Pastor & Albert Romanin.</i>
<i>Fred & Connie Pesek</i>	<i>In Memory of our Parents.</i>
<i>Bettina Ortiz</i>	<i>In Loving Memory of Betty, Joseph, & Timothy Oritiz.</i>
<i>Bettina Ortiz</i>	<i>In Honor Daniel King; Rachel, Grace, Julianne, Jenna and David Kubic; Stephanie King, Steven, Lyndsey and Bradley Hough.</i>
<i>Max Roha</i>	<i>In Loving Memory of Mary Chapman Roha 5/7/1960-7/21/01, and Lois Langmead Wallin 3/29/23-7/21/07.</i>
<i>Max Roha</i>	<i>In Loving Memory of David J. Roha 5/7/1960-7/18/2013.</i>

*Mariam R.
Rosewicz*

In Memory of Loved Ones.

*George & Carole
Snider*

In Memory of our good Friend Debbie Busta.

RuthThorp

In Memory of her Husband, Harvey O. Thorp.

Bill & Anne Toneff

In Memory of Elizabeth & C.C. Thornton, and Very & Milan Toneff

*Sherrill & Bill
Witt*

In Memory of Mary & Bill Witt, and Jane Witt.

In Memory of Arch Duncan.

In Honor of Shirley Duncan, and the Wonderful people of BUCC.

Jill Zedan

In Memory of Bobby, Pres, Joanie, Jack & Terry.

Merry.
Christmas

A decorative illustration of holly leaves and berries. The leaves are green with black outlines and pointed edges. The berries are small, round, and pinkish-red, clustered together in the center of the leaves.