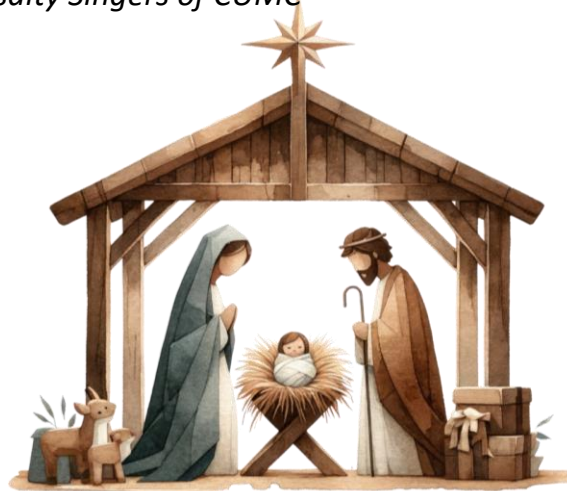


Children's Christmas Program 2024

presented by the Sunday School Children & Psalty Singers of CUMC

We're so glad you're here to celebrate the joy of the season with us. Today's program is a special opportunity to experience the Christmas story through the hearts and voices of our children. They've worked hard to share this message of love, hope, and peace with all of us.

Thank you to the parents, teachers, and all our church family who have supported and encouraged these little ones in their preparation. A special, heartfelt thank you to Trish Starbuck for directing, Monica Bugbee Miller for conducting, and Pat Ziegelmeier for providing the accompanying music.



Most of all, we give thanks to God for the gift of Jesus Christ, the true reason for this season. May today's program remind us of the beauty & simplicity of that first Christmas night and fill our hearts with His light.

Characters

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| Mary | Emily Kuhlman | Joseph | Corban Carter |
| Speaking Angel | Kalea Fisher | Innkeeper | Koulter Fisher |
| Angels | Hattie Boller, Joplin Barnett, Kaydence Carter, Evelyn Boller, Kimora Fisher, & Shea Funk | Shepherds | Scott Kuhlman, Crew Carter & Carson Carter |
| Wisemen | Clay Carter, Deacon Carter & Seth Funk | Narrators | Kitana Fisher, Cort Stramel, (in order of Tanner Goodheart, Norah Boller, reading) Sophie Stramel, Justice Barnett, Korrin Fisher & Anna Kuhlman |

Song List

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| <i>Away in a Manger</i> | Psalty Singers |
| <i>Silent Night</i> | Psalty Singers |
| <i>The First Noel</i> | Verses: Scott Kuhlman & Corban Carter |
| <i>Angels We Have Heard On High</i> | Verses: Joplin Barnett, Hattie Boller & Kalea Fisher |
| <i>We Three Kings</i> | Verses: Clay Carter, Deacon Carter, & Seth Funk |
| <i>Joy to the World</i> | Psalty Singers |
| <i>We Wish You a Merry Christmas</i> | First Verse: Deacon Carter & Kaydence Carter |

Merry Christmas



Colby United Methodist Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP - DECEMBER 15, 2024

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| Prelude | | Organist/Pianist |
| Welcome & Announcements | | Liturgist |
| ✝ Lighting the Advent Wreath | | CUMC children |
| Opening Hymn | “Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates” | UMH #213 |
| ✝ Opening Prayer | | Liturgist |
| ✝ Special Music | “Visit Us, Emmanuel” | Chancel Choir |
| Christmas Program | | CUMC Children |
| ✝ Lifting Joys & Concerns in Prayer | | Pastor Rodgers |
| Prayer Song | “All I Need Is You” | TFWS #2080 |
| Lifting Prayers | | Pastor Rodgers |
| Lord’s Prayer | | UMH #895 |
| ✝ Offering, Doxology & Prayer | | #94/Liturgist |
| Closing Hymn | “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (vs 5&6) | UMH #211 |
| ✝ Closing Prayer & Benediction | | Pastor Rodgers |
| Postlude | | Organist/Pianist |

Lighting the Advent Wreath

Reader One: No matter what troubles overwhelm us today, Isaiah reminds us that in all of our preparation and passionate pursuit of God’s coming kingdom, we must not forget that God’s salvation has come and is coming. “With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation” (Isaiah 12:3). With joy you will remember that God’s salvation is already present among us.

Congregation: Faced with the troubles and the suffering of the world, we choose to live in joyful presence to God and one another. We will not turn away from the pain and the hurt in our world, and we will not stop rejoicing in God, whose salvation fills us to overflowing that God’s love might flow through us and flood our troubled world with hope, peace, and joy.

Reader Two: We light this candle of joy as a sign of our commitment to be present to ourselves, our friends, our families, and our neighbors that in sharing our vulnerable lives we might share in the glorious joy of God’s salvation together.

Organist/Pianist: Pat Ziegelmeier
Special Music: Psalty Singers directed by Moinica Bugbee Miller
Chancel Choir directed by Dr. Philip Shuman

Last Week’s Numbers:

General Offering: \$10,755 Attendance: 115
Weekly need: \$6,670