

# Broad Street United Methodist Church

December 24, 2025

Christmas Eve

Welcome to the Broad Street United Methodist Church.  
We are happy you are here today. The order of worship is found in this bulletin.

\*Indicates congregation stands, if able.

PRELUDE *What Child Is This?* Judy Schetler

WELCOME Celine Danser

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING Sarah and Julia Sourwine, Cyrrus Bernaldes,  
Leanna Danser, Drew Fellesco

Congregational response: **We gather to once again bask in the glory that visited a stable and a manger, shepherds watching their flocks, and a young couple cradling the newborn Messiah.**

INTRODUCTION OF OUR FIRST CAROL Atalia Moore

\*HYMN *O Come, All Ye Faithful* (v. 1, 3, 6) UMH 234

HISTORY OF OUR CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE Cyrrus Bernaldes

CALL TO WORSHIP (read responsively) Celine Danser, Audrey and Amelia Sunshine

## THE SAVIOR'S ADVENT

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

**And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.**

And the angel said unto them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

**For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.**

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

**And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace, good will toward men.

**And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another,**

“Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us.”

**And they came with haste, and found Mary, Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.**

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

**And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.**

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

**And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.**

Adapted from Luke 2:8-20

### PROMISES FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 CAROL	<i>Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming</i> (v. 1, 2)	Leanna Danser UMH 216
Isaiah 11:1-6 CAROL	<i>O Come, O come Emmanuel</i> (v. 1)	Julia Sourwine UMH 211
Micah 4:2-4 CAROL	<i>O Little Town of Bethlehem</i> (v. 1, 2)	Amelia Sunshine UMH 230
ANTHEM	<i>Were You There on That Christmas Night?</i> Natalie Sleeth	Sanctuary Choir

### FULFILLMENT FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

Luke 1:26-35, 38 CAROL	<i>What Child is This?</i> (v. 1)	Celine Danser UMH 219
Luke 2:1-7 CAROL	<i>Away in a Manger</i> (v. 1, 2)	Atalia Moore UMH 217
Luke 2:8-12 CAROL	<i>The First Noel</i> (v. 1, 2)	Audrey Sunshine UMH 245
Luke 2:13-14 CAROL	<i>Hark! the Herald Angels Sing</i> (v. 1, 2)	Sarah Sourwine UMH 240
Luke 2:15-16 CAROL	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>	Amelia Sunshine UMH 238

Luke 2:17-20  
CAROL

*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

Sarah Sourwine  
UMH 229

Matthew 2 (adapted)  
CAROL

*We Three Kings* (v. 1-4)

Cyrrus Bernaldes  
UMH 254

## WE OFFER OUR GIFTS TO GOD

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Pastor Temaris

OFFERTORY HYMN

*There's A Song in the Air* (v. 1, 4)

UMH 249

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor Temaris

## SERVICE OF LIGHTS

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Audrey Sunshine

As you participate in the Candle Light service this evening, please remember how much brighter the darkness of the world would be if we could only keep our “candle” shining brightly throughout the year. As Christians we believe that one little light can make the difference in a world of darkness. Please keep your light shining and continue to “pass it on” to someone new everyday.

**Jesus declared, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”** (John 8:12)

PASSING OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

The ushers will light their candles from the Christ candle in the Advent wreath and bring the light throughout the sanctuary. **Unlit candles should be tilted toward the lit candle.** Please hold your lit candle upright through the carols and up high on the final verse of “Joy to the World.” Extinguish your candle following the final prayer.

CAROL

*Pass It On*

UMH 572

Verse 2 was written by Florence Allison who attended BSUMC

It only takes a spark to get a fire going,  
and soon all those around can warm up in its glowing;  
that's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it;  
you spread His love to everyone, you want to pass it on.

What a wondrous time this is, the Christmas bells are ringing,  
and soon all those around will join in the singing;  
that's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it;  
you want to spread His love around, you want to pass it on.

I wish for you my friend, this happiness that I've found;  
you can depend on Him, it matters not where you're bound;  
I'll shout it from the mountaintop, I want my world to know;  
the Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

CAROL

*Silent Night*

UMH 239

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!

PRAYER (read together)

Pastor Temaris

**O God, you have caused this holy light to shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy Him perfectly in heaven where you and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.**

CAROL

*Joy to the World*

UMH 246

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her 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 world, 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.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;  
he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found,  
far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

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.

**WE SCATTER INTO THE WORLD TO LET OUR LIGHT SHINE!**

Dismissal and Final Blessing

Pastor Temaris

(please extinguish candles as you depart and place in metal cans at the back of the sanctuary)

**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO JESUS!**

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**THANK YOU NOTES:** We thank the youth and college students from BSUMC for participating in our Christmas program for 2025. Thank you to Judy Schetler and the Sanctuary Choir, as well as Pastor Temaris. A special thank you to all of you for attending this evening's service. We hope you have been blessed.