

ST. PAUL & ST. ANDREW

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Join us as we build a
community of radical welcome
that follows Jesus into the
streets of the city to increase
the amount of love and justice
in the world.

K Karpen &
Lea Matthews
Pastors

Fourth Sunday
of Advent

December 20, 2020

Lessons & Carols

Online Worship



Danny digs out after Wednesday's snowstorm

Sunday, December 20, 2020 ♦ Advent IV

Prelude	Frank Glass Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow
Welcome	Ken Lucian
Call to Worship	Danny Aponte, Michelle Navis One: Sing to the Lord a new song, Many: For God has done marvelous things! One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Many: Break forth into joyous song and sing praises. One: Sing praise to God with the lyre, Many: With strings and sounds of harmony! One: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; Many: Let the hills and valleys sing together for joy! One: Because the Lord is coming to judge the earth, Many: To bless the world with justice and peace.
Invitation to Sing	K Karpen
Carol	Joy To the World (page 5)
Lesson 1	Robert Harris Isaiah 40
Carol	O Come, All Ye Faithful (page 5)
Lesson 2	Hector Pagan Isaiah 11
Carol	Jane Williams, Robin Bahr, K Karpen, Brent Ness, Frank Glass If Anybody Ask You Who I Am
Lighting of the Advent Candles	Lea Matthews, Michelle Navis
Carol	He Is Born (page 56)
Lesson 3	Jenna Johnson Isaiah 35
Carol	SPSA Virtual Choir Nowell Sing We

Lesson 4	Carter Snyder-Samuelson Luke 1
Carol	What Child Is This (page 7)
Lesson 5	Laila Al-Askari Koran, Surah 19, 'Maryam'
Carol	Brent Ness, Frank Glass I Wonder As I Wander
Lesson 6	Lea Matthews Luke 2:1-7
Carol	Away In A Manger (page 7)
Morning Prayer Lord's Prayer	Nancy Meyers Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kin-dom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kin-dom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.
Intro to the Offering	Jennifer Serrano
Offering	Of tithes, gifts, and prayers
Offertory	bj Karpen, Frank Glass Angels From the Realms of Glory / Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day
Lesson 7	K Karpen Luke 2
Carol	Audrey Hurley Sweet Little Jesus Boy
Lesson 8	Harry Karpen John 1: 1-5, 14
Carol	In the First Days (page 8)
Benediction	K Karpen
Postlude	Frank Glass The First Nowell

Hymn Leaders **Robin Bahr, K Karpen, Brent Ness, Jane Williams, Frank Glass**

Audio **David Richards**

Video **Harry Karpen, K Karpen**

Editing **Harry Karpen**

Christmas Eve is this Thursday

5:00pm - Family Worship - via YouTube Premiere

11:00pm - Candlelight Service - via YouTube Premiere

11:45pm - Candlelight Service conclusion on Zoom

Supporting Our Ministries

We hope that you enjoyed today's service. Please help us continue to create meaningful virtual worship and support essential services by donating at stpaulandstandrew.org/give or emailing donate@stpaulandstandrew.org to make a gift by electronic check.

Prayer Requests, Connect & Care Groups

To make a prayer request or join a Connect & Care Group, visit our website, stpaulandstandrew.org/stay-connected

Our Mission Statement

We seek to build a community of radical welcome that follows Jesus into the streets of the city to increase the amount of love and justice in the world. *To do this, we will...*

- ◆ Be a catalyst for love-inspired action and social justice.
- ◆ Nurture and inspire Jesus' followers through dynamic worship and relationship-building to transform ourselves and the world.
- ◆ Teach and live progressive Christian values, including racial and gender equality, inter-faith partnership, LGBTQI affirmation, and empowerment of the last, the lost, and the least.
- ◆ Raise up future generations by fostering a congregation of all ages and developing young leaders & communities.

Joy to the World

Isaac Watts, 1719

Arranged from G.F. Handel, 1741
by Lowell Mason, 1848

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re-ceive her King! Let ev-'ry
2. Joy to the world, the Sav-ior reigns! Let all their songs em- ploy, while fields and
heart pre - pare him room, and Heav'n and Na - ture sing, and
floods, rocks, hills, and plains re - peat the sound-ing joy, re -
Heav'n and Na - ture sing, and Heav'n and Heav'n and Na - ture sing!
peat the sound-ing joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound-ing joy!

O Come, All Ye Faithful

John F. Wade, ca. 1743

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Translated by Frederick Oakeley, 1841, and others

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant! O come ye, O come ye to
2. Sing, choirs of an - gels! Sing in ex - ul - ta - tion! O sing, all ye cit - i - zens of
Beth - le - hem! Come and be - hold him, born the King of An - gels! O
Heav'n a - bove! Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est! O
come, let us a - dore him! O come, let us a - dore him! O
come, let us a - dore him! O come, let us a - dore him! O
come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord!
come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord!

He Is Born

19th-Century French Carol
Anonymous translation

18th-Century French Carol



He is born, the_ ho-ly child! Play the_ o-boe and bag-pipes mer-ri-ly! He is born, the_



ho-ly child! Sing we_ all of the Sav-ior mild! Thru long a - ges_ of the past, pro-phets



have fore - told his com-ing! Thru long a - ges_ of the past, now the time has_ come at last!



He is born, the_ ho - ly child! Play the_ o - boe and bag-pipes mer-ri - ly!



He is born, the_ ho - ly child! Sing we_ all of the Sav - ior mild!

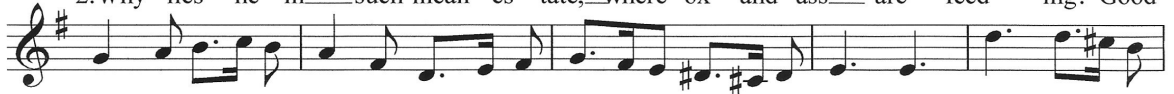
What Child Is This

William Chatterton Dix, 1865

16-Century English Melody



1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing? Whom
2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate, where ox and ass are feed - ing? Good



an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, while shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is
Chris - tian, fear, for sin - ners here, the si - lent Word is plead - ing. This, this is



Christ the King, whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing.
Christ the King, whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing.



Haste, haste to bring him laud, this babe, the son of Ma - ry.
Haste, haste to bring him laud, this babe, the son of Ma - ry.

Away in a Manger

Anonymous

James R. Murray, 1887



1. A - way in a man - ger, no crib for a bed, the lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down his sweet
2. The cat - tle are low - ing, the ba - by a - wakes. But lit - tle Lord Je - sus, no cry - ing he



head. The stars in the bright sky looked down where he
makes. I love thee, Lord Je - sus, look down from the



lay, the lit - tle Lord Je - sus a - sleep on the hay.
sky, and stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is nigh.

In the First Days Was the Word

K Karpen, 2020

Felix Mendelssohn, 1840
Arranged by William Cummings, 1856



In the first days was the Word, and the Word was with our God. All things came to



be through Christ, and with-out Christ noth-ing was. What has come through



Christ is life, and that life is full of light. Now the light shines in the dark,



and the dark - ness fades a - way, for the Word has



come to us, full of Truth and full of Grace!

Joys & Concerns

Joy & Thanksgiving

Hanukkah blessings

Gratitude for the Advent devotionals

SPSA's children & families

Miracles, large and small

Betty and Barbara at the UMW meeting

The wonderful Christmas pageant; its creativity & community; what a JOY!

Kathryn's successful UN conference on how to combat misinformation

Caring ER vet Dr. Henley in White Plains

Chris' 4-book deal & his and J.J.'s successful virtual school visits

Robin, joy for the life of her Mom, who died a year ago this week

The music provided by Madeline and Barb in Sunday's worship

Tim's opportunities to dance

The women of Sierra Leone

Comfort

Kyong-jin, her family is in crisis

Asbury UMC in Washington, DC; Trump supporters protested there in Saturday and burned Black Lives Matter banners

Faculty and students at the Cathedral School at St John the Divine and the community and spectators at the concert

In what are dark times for so many, let there be light.

Karen's mom and all seniors facing prolonged isolation and separation from family and friends

The Littles and Battens families at the death of Edwin Little from COVID-19, and the extensive

community of family and friends whose lives he touched so deeply as they mourn his loss.

Jimmie and wife as they care for him at the end of life

Covid-19

Jonni, on medication to get her off the ventilator, as she recovers from Covid-19

Healing of mind, body, and soul for all those suffering, recovering or quarantining from Covid.

Prayers for safety as Covid increases; and prayers that the vaccine will get to the locations smoothly

Don R's sister Nancy recovering from COVID-19

Don R's nephew in the state of Washington, who has recovered from COVID-19

For Rachel, Lea, and Nora as Rachel recovers from the virus

Rich's family members in NC who are seriously ill from COVID-19 after their Thanksgiving gathering.

Lee in ICU with COVID-19 and spouse Joann at home with COVID-19

Diana

Eduardo

Work and Life

Prayers for Peter who is homeless

People struggling with isolation from pandemic, thanksgiving that connect and care helps with that

Students trying to finish their semesters

Travel mercies for anyone traveling at this time, especially Ava, Sarah, and Keith

Restaurants, weathering the loss of indoor seating

Hannah Reasoner's missionary work

Families experiencing food and shelter insecurity

Courage for Victoria as she embarks on the next phase of her life and work

For all of us as we face Christmas in a different way, especially for those of us who live alone

People without jobs and facing eviction

Charles' son Nathan, Nathan's wife Kandra, and their son Quince who are moving to Jamaica to assist with hurricane damage

Don K's friend Joan

Continued prayers for Kate's sisters Madelaine and Holly and their partners David and David

Health/ Healing

Ressie, for relief from pain caused by her sciatica

Stephanie, MaryAnn's friend, with cancer

Continued prayers for Wanda with asthma

Continued prayers for Pat with leukemia

Pedro, from WSCAH, who was shot while delivering food; WSCAH as they process this

Kerry (Jenna's sister) with unknown medical issues

David, recovering from a brain bleed

Continued prayers for Erna and Sam

For David's health care teams and ever supportive wife will bring him back to good health.

Karen's mom who fell and sustained spinal fractures.

Shirley's niece Jillian's thyroid concerns

Kathryn's cousin Diane's health issues

Connie's friend Kevin's health questions around bell's palsy or Lyme disease

Harry's grandmother, Joy

Rebecca Luker with ALS

A friend of Vicki's who received a cancer diagnosis this week

Catherine

Peggy's niece Pam's anticipated surgery

John B

Rob R and partner Chris W; Rob is having heart surgery (3rd time) and Chris recovering from back surgery

Peace & Justice

Our nation, as we await the Electoral College vote

God help us stop the epidemic of gun shootings

Courage and safety for those working on the Georgia election

Acts of violence across the nation

Patience as we get through the public health crisis

Music Notes

Prelude: Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow

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Carol: He Is Born

Words: 19th c. French Carol; Anonymous trans.

Music: IL EST NÉ 18th c. French Carol; harm. Carlton R. Young, 1988

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Carol: Nowell Sing We

Words & Music: 15th c. English Carol

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Carol: What Child Is This

Words: William Chatterton Dix, 1865

Music: GREENSLEEVES 16th c. English Melody

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Who's Who

Carol: I Wonder As I Wander

Words & Music: Appalachian carol, adapt. and arr. by John Jacob Niles and Lewis Henry Horton

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Music: "Angels" from Heath's *Cornish Carols*, 1889 / "Tomorrow" from Sandy's *Christmas Carols, Ancient and Modern*, 1833

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Carol: Sweet Little Jesus Boy

Words & Music: Robert MacGimsey, 1934

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Words: K Karpen (after John 1), 2020

Music: MENDELSSOHN Felix Mendelssohn, 1840; arr. by William Cummings, 1856

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Postlude: The First Nowell

Music: THE FIRST NOEL Trad. English carol, harm. by Sir John Stainer in *Christmas Carols New and Old*, 1871

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