

# 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

***Second Sunday  
of Advent***

December 5, 2021  
at 11am  
Livestream



Connie goes **100** for Deck the Halls!

# Sunday, December 5, 2021 ♦ Advent II

♦ *Please rise in body or spirit*

*As we gather on the unceded land of the Lenape peoples, we acknowledge the community, their elders both past and present, as well as future generations.*

## Prelude

**Melanie Baker, Frank Glass**  
**Carol Medley**

## Call to Worship ♦

adapted from  
enfleshed

**Lea Matthews, Carla Mikell**

One: The people who walk now in the shadows

**Many: Will see a great light!**

One: We who live in a space of fear and frustration.

**Many: On us, bright light will shine!**

One: For a child has been born for us,

**Many: A son has been given to us!**

One: A child rich in wisdom and authority

**Many: A wonderful counselor, the Prince of Peace!**

One: We will call that one Emmanuel

**Many: Because, through him, God is with us!**

## Opening Hymn ♦

**Hark! The Herald Angels Sing** (pg. 5, v. 1-3)

## Opening Prayer

**Lea Matthews**

## Prayer Song

**Hark! The Herald Angels Sing** (pg. 5, v. 4)

## Lighting the Second Advent Candle

*Children & Youth will  
leave after candle  
lighting for pageant  
rehearsal*

**John & Mary McMurtery (introduced by Amanda Munroe)**

Leader: ...And may we have the courage to choose your way, trusting that even in spaces of discomfort the peace that comes with walking toward your perfect love reigns.

**All: God of Mystery, help us to choose your way, the way that leads us to love. Amen.**

## Sung Response

**O Come, O Come Emmanuel** (pg. 6)

## Gospel ♦

**Carla Mikell & Andrea Steinkamp**  
**Matthew 1:18-25** (pg. 4)

## Gospel Song ♦

**Joseph's Dream** (pg. 7)

<b>Sermon</b>	<b>K Karpen</b> “When the ‘Good News’ is Bad News”
<b>Sermon Song</b> ♦	<b>The Cherry Tree Carol</b> (pg. 8)
<b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>Lord’s Prayer</b>	<b>Andrea Steinkamp</b> 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.
<b>Prayer Song</b>	<b>Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming</b> (pg. 7)
<b>Parish Opportunities</b> <b>Call to Giving</b>	<b>Amanda Munroe</b> Of tithes, gifts, prayers (pg. 8); and pledges for 2022 (insert)
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>Melanie Baker, Frank Glass</b> “Jesu bleibet meine Freude” by <b>J.S. Bach</b>
<b>Communion</b>	After <i>The Great Thanksgiving</i> , please receive the elements from the distribution stations located in the corners of the sanctuary.
<b>Benediction</b> ♦	<b>K Karpen</b>
<b>Response</b> ♦	<b>Jesus Is Coming</b> (pg. 6)
<b>Postlude</b>	<b>Frank Glass</b> “In Dulce Jubilo”
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Erna Daniel, Cheryl Melchiorre</b>
<b>Hymn Leaders</b>	<b>Frank Glass, Ken Guest, K Karpen, Sandy Owen, Madeline Taylor</b>
<b>Communion Assts.</b>	<b>Peggy Griffin Jackman, Amanda Munroe, Andrea Steinkamp, Julia Tulloch</b>
<b>Counters</b>	<b>Connie Coddington, Gina Leonetti</b>
<b>Tech</b>	<b>Hannah Chomiczewski (video), Michelle Navis, Brent Ness (audio)</b>
<b>Operations</b>	<b>Robert Harris, Ken Lucian</b>



## Welcome!

If you are new to our community, we’d love to keep in touch, and invite you to fill out a Connect Card at the Welcome Table, or scan this QR code to complete a Connect Card online. Thank you for joining us today!

# Gospel Reading from Matthew 1:18-25

18 Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. <sup>19</sup>Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. <sup>20</sup>But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup>She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save the people from their sins.' <sup>22</sup>All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

<sup>23</sup> 'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,

and they shall name him Emmanuel',

which means, 'God is with us.' <sup>24</sup>When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took Mary to be his wife, <sup>25</sup>but they had no marital relations until she had borne a son; and they named the child Jesus.

The word of God for the people of God, **Thanks be to God!**

## The Great Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**Many: We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks and praise

**Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.***

***Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

...And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

***Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.***

...All honor and glory are yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

***Amen. Amen. Amen.***

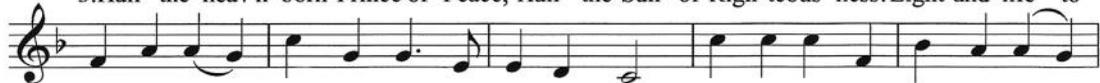
Music: Elise Eslinger (after NICAEA)

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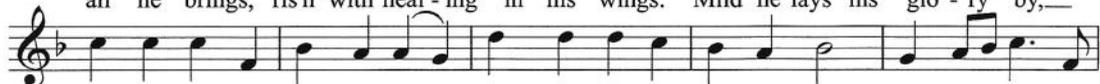
# Hark! the Herald Angels Sing



1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King! Peace on earth and  
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord; late in time, be -  
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace, Hail the Sun of Right - teous - ness! Light and life to



mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners re - con - ciled!" Joy - ful, all ye na - tions rise...  
hold him come, off - spring of a vir - gin's womb. Veiled in flesh, the God - head see...  
all he brings, ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his glo - ry by, —



Join the tri - umph of the skies. With th'an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is \_ born in  
Hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty, — pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Je - sus, our Em  
born that we no more may die, — born to raise us from the earth, born to \_ give us



Beth - le - hem!" Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry \_ to the new - born King!"  
man - u - el. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry \_ to the new - born King!"  
se - cond birth. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry \_ to the new - born King!"

4. Come, Desires of nations, come, fix in us your humble home;  
Rise, O Mary's conqu'ring Son, we no more shall fear alone!  
Now display your saving power, Ruined nature now restore;  
Now in mystic union join yours to ours, and ours to yours. *Refrain*

Charles Wesley, 1739  
Adapted by George Whitfield (1758) and others

Felix Mendelssohn, 1840  
Arranged by William Cummings, 1856

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# O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

O come, Desire of Na - tions, bind all peo - ple\_ in one heart and mind. From  
dust thou brought us forth\_ to life. De - liv - er us from earth - ly strife. Re -  
joice! Re-joice! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

9th-Century Latin

Translations from *The Hymnal*, 1940

Verse 7cd by Laurence Hull Stookey, 1986

15th-Century French Melody

Harmonized by Thomas Helmore, 1854

St. 7ab © 1940, 1943, renewed 1981 The Church Pension Fund;

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# Jesus Is Coming

Oh, Je - sus, oh, Je - sus, oh, Je - sus,  
Oh, free - dom, oh, free - dom, oh, free - dom,  
\_ Je - sus is com - ing.. Oh, yes, I... Yes, I know!\_ Oh, yes, I know!  
\_ free-dom is com - ing.. Oh, yes, I...  
\_ Oh, yes, I know! Je - sus is com - ing!\_ Oh yes, I know!  
Free-dom is com - ing!

Traditional South African Song

# When Our Savior, Jesus Christ (Joseph's Dream)



1. When our Sav-ior, Je - sus Christ was a - bout to come to earth, Ma - ry  
 2. But while Jo-seph thought on these things, came an an-gel of the Lord, who told  
 3. "She will bear a son named Je - sus, to save peo-ple from their sins. *Je sus*



said to her fi - an - cé, "Jo - seph, I will soon give birth." Her in - tend - ed, be - ing  
 Jo - seph, in a dream that was too real to be ig - nored! "Do not fear now to take  
 means 'the One who frees us, so a new life may be - gin.'" Jo - seph woke up from his



right - eous, did not know quite what to do: "Should I  
 Ma - ry as your law - ful, wed - ded wife. For the  
 sleep - ing, put a - way his in - ner strife, turned from



break up with her quiet - ly to a - void a big to - do?"  
 child who grows with - in her comes to bring you love and life."  
 fear, his prom - ise keep - ing, and took Ma - ry for his wife.

K Karpen, 2021  
 based on Matthew 1:18-25

Wyeth's *Respository of Sacred Music, Part Second*, 1813

# Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming



1. Lo! how a rose e'er bloom - ing from ten - der stem hath sprung. Of Jes - se's lin - eage  
 2. I - sai - ah 'twas fore - told it, the Rose I have in mind. With Mar - y we be -



com - ing, as those of old hath sung. It came, a flow'r - et  
 hold it, the Vir - gin Moth - er kind. To show God's love a -



bright, a - mid the cold of win - ter, when half - spent was the night.  
 right, she bore to us a Sav - ior, when half - spent was the night.

15th-Century German  
 Translated by Theodore Baker, 1894

*Alte Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, 1599  
 Harmonized by Michael Praetorius, 1609

# The Cherry Tree Carol



1. When Jo-seph was an old man, an old man was he, he mar-ried vir-gin  
2. Then Ma-ry said to Jo-seph, so meek and so mild, "Jo-seph, ga-ther me some  
3. Then Jo-seph flew in an-ger, in an-ger flew he: "Let the fa-ther of the



Ma-ry, the queen of Ga-li-lee. He  
cher-ries for I am with child. Jo-seph  
ba-by ga-ther cher-ries for thee. Let the



mar-ried vir-gin Ma-ry, the queen of Ga-li-lee.  
ga-ther me some cher-ries for I am with child.  
fa-ther of the ba-by ga-ther cher-ries for thee.

4. Then Jesus spoke a few words, a few words spoke he:  
"Let my mother have some cherries. Bow low down, cherry tree.  
Let my mother have some cherries. Bow low down, cherry tree."
5. The cherry tree bowed low down, bowed low down to the ground.  
And Mary gathered cherries, while Joseph stood around.  
And Mary gathered cherries, while Joseph stood around.
6. Then Joseph took Mary upon his right knee:  
"What have I done? Lord, have mercy on me.  
What have I done? Lord, have mercy on me."

Traditional English Carol

Traditional English Carol

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# Joys & Concerns

## Joy & Thanksgiving

May our siblings at B'nai Jeshurun have a full and joyful Hannukah  
Marie Moser called June to let her know how well she is and all the activities she is participating in at Riverside Rehab Center

Gratitude for the life of Tom Driver  
Joy for the life of Frances Helen  
Guest

Gratitude for Esther's sister-in-law  
Jill's good test results on her cancer. Continued prayers that her additional tests will also have good results.

## Healing & Health

Vicki C, for strength and healing; and stamina for her new role  
Cheryl M, healing and gaining more energy daily

Continued prayers for Steve Q for strength

Laura, Mary McM's friend, recently diagnosed with early-stage breast cancer; for successful treatment

Lily, having bad reactions to her pain medication; for a solution so she can heal

Health and healing for all in need of it

Sydney's friend Nia

Jan's sister Connie, healing of her spirit

Chris H's and his sister Donna Marie, both of whom are

struggling with health issues  
Mike, who is a caregiver for his mother and brother, and for their continued recovery to better health.

Recovery for Sandy, who suffered an allergic reaction after receiving a flu shot.

Recovery for Lilly, a cancer survivor in the hospital with pneumonia.

Linda's mother-in-law as her leg wound continues to heal.

Chiara B

Pat B's friends Morgan & Jim  
Martha P and her mother

Ressie

Joyce H's niece Sue

Healing for Carl who has medical challenges

Cindy, for healing, hope and encouragement; post major surgery, she has trouble walking, weight loss, the prognosis is good but she's not currently feeling her best

## Comfort

Doug Cohen and his family on the death of Doug's father

Jessica M's Aunt Dee now on Hospice and Angela caring for her  
Martha P's beloved Aunt Marie on Hospice and the whole family as she transitions from this life

The community of Oxford, MI and

the victims of gun violence  
The family and friends of Betty Ann's uncle, who passed away

## Work & Life

Travel mercies for Don K's nephew Rishi and fiancée, Lisa that they are able to return soon and safely from South Africa  
Family reconciliation and acceptance

To not give in or give up; to know to hope

Mary McM's friend Mindy who was in a car accident; she okay but her car is not, and the other driver is uninsured and possibly undocumented so prayers for that person too

That peace and hope be an intentional anchor for all as we journey through December 2021  
For safe ways for children and adults to live free of terror, domestic and or partner violence in December.

Jessica and Barry

## COVID

Cheryl M's cousins Helen & Donny with Covid; prayers too for family members who have chosen not to get vaccinated

For the many unvaccinated people in our country and across the world



## Prayer requests

Scan this QR code to share your joys and concerns, or write them on the back of a Connection Card available at the Welcome Tables. Each week, our staff prays for our community and invites prayers from all. If you do not wish for your prayer to be shared with the church community, please indicate your desire with your prayer.

## Last Week: Young Adults



The Young Adults Fellowship enjoyed lunch after Sunday's worship service.

Top row: A group selfie, Rachel and Andrea catch up. Brent tries to feed Lea a cookie. Second row: Ekama, Graham and Chiara; Lea and Aurora.

## Last Week: 11am Worship on the First Sunday of Advent



Top row: The Steinkamp family lights the first Advent candle, Lea during the sermon, some post-worship Fellowship with Ping, Marybeth, David, Karen, and Julie. Second row: Jon, David, and Marybeth; Annah with two of our college kids home for Thanksgiving...Chiara and Harry.

## Share Your SPSA Pictures with Us

Did you take a photo while Putting Love in Action today (or this week)? Share it with us at [bit.ly/3rzT29u](https://bit.ly/3rzT29u) via our SmugMug account.

# Tis the Season...

When our **annual pledge campaign** begins! Thank you for those who got their 2022 pledges in early:

Richard & Lynne Allen  
A.J. Bosco & Pat Schlegel  
Melanie Baker  
Connie Coddington  
Karen Collins & David Wildman  
Erna Daniel  
Cindy Danza  
Mark Duffy  
Charlene Floyd & K Karpen  
Melly Floyd  
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Chris & J.J. Grabenstein  
Peggy Griffin-Jackman & Ron Jackman  
Don Kirby  
Gina Leonetti  
Nancy McAlhany  
Marianne McClure  
Jim Melchiorre & Cheryl Allen-Melchiorre  
Dorothy O'Hanlon  
Sandy Owen  
Julie Faith Parker & Bill Crawford  
Jim & Susanne Paul  
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Gary & Edee Rae

Esther Ready  
Cynthia Round  
Shirley Struchen  
Gisela Szurgot  
Julia & Ken Tulloch  
Kay Wenzel  
Jon Mikel Zeigler

...List in formation

**31 pledges**  
**\$178,449 pledge**

Our goal for 2022 is 100 pledges and \$400,000, an increase of 15 pledges and \$21,000 from 2021. Every pledge makes a difference!

# Advent & Christmas

## Advent Devotionals

Pick up your copy today

### Wednesday, Dec 8 at 7pm

Vespers on Zoom  
Meeting: 863 9386 2209

### Sunday, Dec 12 at 11am

*Christmas Pageant*  
Advent III Worship Service

### Wednesday, Dec 15 at 7pm

Vespers on Zoom (see Dec 8)

### Sunday, Dec 19 at 11am

*Lessons & Carols*  
Advent IV Worship Service

### Sunday, Dec 19 at 5pm

BUCC's Travelers Christmas

### Friday, Dec 24 (Christmas Eve)

5pm: Kids & Families service premiere on YouTube

10:45pm: Candlelight service



## “Love in Action” Pledge Campaign for 2022

Thank you for prayerfully considering your support of ministry at St. Paul & St. Andrew. We invite you to make a pledge time and treasure for the coming year using the enclosed pledge card and placing it in the donation boxes by the front or rear entrance, or by visiting [stpaulandstandrew.org/pledge](http://stpaulandstandrew.org/pledge) and making your pledge online.



## Gifts & Offerings

If you would like to make a contribution, visit [stpaulandstandrew.org/give](http://stpaulandstandrew.org/give), scan the QR code, or text the amount of your donation to 646-971-9400. Gifts can also be delivered to the donation boxes at the Welcome Tables.

# Who's Who

## Pastors

Rev. Dr. K Karpen\*  
Rev. Lea Matthews\*

## Minister of Music

Dr. Frank Glass\*

## Youth & Campus Pastor

Ekama Eni\*

## Interns

Amanda Munroe\*  
Andrea Steinkamp\*

## Lay Servants

Nancy Meyers  
Alicia Pitterson  
Shakeel Samuel

## Director of Operations

Brent Ness\*

## Bookkeeper

Jennifer Serrano\*

## Theater Manager/ Compliance Officer/ Livestream Director

Michelle Navis\*

## Building Superintendent

Danny Aponte\*

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# Just Call Them the Green Team



Greens now displayed in the sanctuary courtesy of some quick work on Thursday.



Actor Jim Parsons (center) came down to the pantry during a break while filming his new movie "Spoiler Alert" to meet with some of WSCAH's staff and volunteers.