

SERMON TEXT Luke 2:13-14 Matthew 2:2

ORGAN MEDITATION Mr. Gordon Welch
Still, Still, Still - arr. Edwards

CHRISTMAS EVE MESSAGE Rev. Everette
“Jesusis Star”

VOCAL MEDITATION Mrs. Sandra Roe
O Holy Night - Adam

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (UMH13)
GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

***CANDLE LIGHTING SERVICE** Congregation
Silent Night, Holy Night - Gruber
See Insert

✦ **BENEDICTION** Rev. Everette

✦ **ORGAN POSTLUDE** Mr. Welch

Unto Us A Boy Is Born - arr. Whitworth



Church Street
Methodist Church
214 Church Street
Selma, Alabama 36701

Christmas Eve
Candlelight Communion Service
Wednesday, December 24, 2025 ~ 5:30pm
Color: White

CHIMES FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME Rev. Diane Everette

VOCAL MEDITATION Dr. Kent Taylor
This Holy Christmas Night - Larson

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE Rev. Everette

Leader: On this holy night, we gather to celebrate the birth of Jesus, the Christ.
As we light the Christ Candle, we remember the hope, peace, joy, and love
that His coming brings to the world.

People: Jesus, Light of the World, shine in our hearts.

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the
Word was God. The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

People: Jesus, Emmanuel, God with us, we welcome You.

Leader: We light this candle as a sign of Christ's presence in the world. His light
shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

People: Jesus, our Savior, bring Your light to every dark place.

Leader: Through You, O Christ, we receive hope for a broken world.

People: We rejoice in Your hope.

Leader: Through You, O Christ, we find peace in the midst of chaos.

People: We rest in Your peace.

Leader: Through You, O Christ, our hearts are filled with joy.

People: We celebrate Your joy.

Leader: Through You, O Christ, we know the depth of God's love.

People: We abide in Your love.

Leader: Let us go forth as bearers of Christ's light, sharing His hope, peace, joy,
and love with all.

People: Jesus, Light of the World, shine through us. Amen.

***CANDLELIGHT CAROLS**

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Congregation

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rev. Everette/Congregation

*Christ our Lord invites to His table all who love Him,
who earnestly repent of their sin
and seek to live in peace with one another.
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
We have broken your law,
We have rebelled against your love,
We have not loved our neighbors,
And we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
Glory to God. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Ms. Frances Turner