

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT MCFARLAND UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST!

December 24, 2021 ✦ Christmas Eve Worship

**Indicates please rise, in body or spirit.*

OPENING WORDS OF WELCOME

Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here! McFarland UCC is Open and Affirming to people of all ages, races, physical and mental abilities, economic positions, religious backgrounds, sexual orientations and gender identities. We celebrate and share God's unconditional love by offering the opportunity for membership, fellowship and leadership to everyone.

***OPENING CHRISTMAS SONG**

"O Come All Ye Faithful" #135 NCH

ORGAN SOLO (Video)

"Once In Royal David's City"
By Rev. Jack Hicks

ISAIAH'S PROPHECY: *Isaiah 9:2; 6-7*

LIGHTING THE ADVENT & CHRISTMAS CANDLES

MUSICAL OFFERING (Video)

"God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"
Diane Smeaton (organ);
Glenn Smeaton (french horn); Rob Smeaton (tuba)

THE CHRISTMAS STORY: *Luke 2:1-7*

MUSICAL OFFERING: (Video)

"Joseph's Song"
by Michael Card.
Vocal Solo by Bruce Fischer; Piano accompaniment by Tammy Nordman.

THE CHRISTMAS STORY CONTINUES: *Luke 2:8-20*

PIANO SOLO

by Gabe Lemke

POEM

"Sometimes I Wonder"
By Kaitlyn Shetler

CHRISTMAS SONG

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" #144 NCH

A FEW WORDS FROM PASTOR BRYAN

PRAYER

"Keeping Christmas"
By Henry Van Dyke
Read by Tom Ludwig

MUSICAL OFFERING *(Video)*

"Silent Night"
Sung by Anne Gerke

***CANDLE LIGHTING**

"Silent Night"
Piano Instrumental

***BENEDICTION**

