

**Welcome to First Clovis!**

We are so glad that you joined us in worship today. Please complete the following form as a record of your attendance. Please tear off the completed form and leave it in your pew as you leave worship today. You may also use this form to update your contact info, subscribe to email news, etc.

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**DECEMBER 16-20**

Contact Kathryn Harrington  
if you would like to help.  
575-760-7438

**DECEMBER 22ND**  
*Fun & Festive Sunday*



*Get out all your fun Christmas clothes!*

**Christmas Eve Worship**  
CANDLELIGHT & COMMUNION

4PM FAMILY  
6PM TRADITIONAL

- Communion served at both services
- Glowsticks available at both services
- Nursery Care available at 6PM service
- 6PM service livestreamed on Facebook & [www.firstclovis.com/media](http://www.firstclovis.com/media)




First Methodist Church Clovis | December 15, 2024

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH CLOVIS  
December 15, 2024 | 3rd Sunday of Advent

**VOLUNTARY**

In the Bleak Mid-Winter  
Gustav Holst/Raymond H. Hann

Ferrell Roberts, organ

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Jeb Archey

**ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING**

Jennings Family

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Vernah Williams

Leader: God is our salvation! We will trust in him and not be afraid.

**People: The Lord of Salvation is our strength and song!**

Leader: Look up and rejoice! Draw water  
out of the well of salvation.

**People: The Lord of Joy is our strength and song!**

Leader: Give thanks to God! Call on his name!

**People: The Lord of Might is our strength and song!**

Leader: Declare his works among the people that  
his name is exalted!

**People: The Lord of Wisdom is our strength and song!**

Leader: Sing to the Lord, for he has done excellent things!  
Let this be known in all the earth!

**People: The Lord of Righteousness is our strength and song!**

Leader: Cry aloud and shout, people of God, for Christ,  
the King of kings, is coming to save us.

**People: Come quickly, Lord Jesus.**

**\*HYMN**

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

UMH #203

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Vernah Williams

We believe in one God, whose almighty word brought forth the  
universe, who speaks to us by his Spirit through what he has  
created and through what has been written for us in Holy Scripture.

We believe that at just the right moment in time, God's Word  
became flesh in the life of Jesus of Nazareth, who was conceived by  
the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary.

We believe that this good news of great joy which heralded Jesus'  
birth also points us to the cross on which Jesus died, and to his  
empty tomb. There the angel's message "He is risen!" heralded the  
glorious good news of Christ's resurrection.

We believe that this same Jesus is alive to meet us every day,  
and to offer us new and abundant life.

We rejoice in the knowledge that he will one day return  
to rule in righteousness, to renew the earth,  
and to claim us as God's own.

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

UMH #70

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

Cindy Osburn

**MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Rev. Jeb Archey

**\*HYMN**

In the Bleak Midwinter

UMH #221

**\*SCRIPTURE**

Luke 2:8-15

Rev. Jeb Archey

The Word of God, for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM**

He Is Born, the Holy Child  
arr. Mary McDonald

Chancel Choir

**SERMON**

Holy Night  
*Hopelessness Turns to Hope*

Rev. Jeb Archey

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Rev. Jeb Archey

**OFFERTORY**

Ferrell Roberts, piano

Of the Father's Love Begotten  
Mark Hayes

**\*DOXOLOGY**

UMH #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

**\*HYMN**

Sing We Now of Christmas (v. 1-3)

UMH #237

**\*BENEDICTION**

Rev. Jeb Archey

**POSTLUDE**

Gigue on *In Dulci Jubilo* Ferrell Roberts, organ  
*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*  
Gordon Young

\*you are invited to stand as able



**WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:**

**Liturgist:** Vernah Williams

**Piano:** Alison Brown

**Children's Time:** Cindy Osburn

**Ushers/Greeters:** Team 3

**Acolytes:** Elizabeth Guterrez,  
Xavier VanNostran

**Sound/Media:** MaryNell Urban,  
Greg Jennings, Calvin DeWitt,  
Rigby Hunt

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**10:45—11:30AM**  
**AGES 4 TO ADULT**

**NURSERY CARE**

The nursery is open Sunday  
mornings for children birth to  
preschool. Our nursery is located in  
the north/education wing.

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