Welcome to First Clovis!

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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







FIRST METHODIST CHURCH CLOVIS December 22, 2024 | 4th Sunday of Advent

VOLUNTARY

Ferrell Roberts, organ

Sleepers Wake! A Voice Is Calling

J.S. Bach (BWV 645)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jeb Archey

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

Howalt Family

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Vernah Williams

Leader: My soul magnifies the Lord! My Spirit rejoices in God,

our Savior. Holy is his name!

People: Let your face shine upon us, Lord, and we shall be saved.

Leader: For the Mighty One has done great things for us.

People: Holy is his name!

Leader: His mercy lasts for generations and generations

on those who fear him.

People: Let your face shine upon us, Lord, and we shall be saved.

Leader: He has shown strength with His arm.

People: He has scattered the proud in the imagination

of their hearts.

Leader: He has pulled down tyrants from their thrones.

People: He has filled the hungry and sent the rich away empty.

Leader: Holy is his name! **People: Holy is his name!**

Leader: Stir up your might and come and save us!

People: Let your face shine upon us, Lord, and we shall be saved. Leader: The Lord is coming in mercy as he promised our ancestors.

People: Come quickly, Lord Jesus.

*HYMN

Joy to the World

UMH #246

*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 The Very First Christmas

Shared by Our Children

*HYMN O Come, O Come Emmanuel UMH #211

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Jeb Archey

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:8-15 Rev. Jeb Archey

The Word of God, for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC Who Would Send a Baby? Kathryn Dowell

Mary Kay Beall & Doris Ford, duet

SERMON Holy Night Rev. Jeb Archey

Great Joy

TITHES AND OFFERINGS Rev. Jeb Archey

OFFERTORY Ferrell Roberts, piano

In the Bleak Midwinter

Gustav Holst/arr. 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 Lift Up Your Heads UMH #213

*BENEDICTION Rev. Jeb Archey

POSTLUDE Ferrell Roberts, organ

Good news from heaven angels bring

Christmas Chorale

*vou are invited to stand as able



WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:

Liturgist: Vernah Williams **Piano:** Alison Brown

Children's Time: First Clovis Children

Ushers/Greeters: Team 4
Acolytes: Ayden Cantu, TBD
Sound/Media: MaryNell Urban,

Greg Jennings, Calvin DeWitt,

Addison Archey

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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