

***Lessons and Carols Program – December 11, 2022***

**Organ Prelude** – Pastoral Symphony fromGeorge Frideric Handel’s *Messiah*

**Welcome** – Rev. Cheryl Fox

**Carol**– The First Noel (all sing – the organ will play the carol through once)

The First Noel the Angels did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Noel Noel Noel Noel
Born is the King of Israel!

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the East beyond them far
And to the earth it gave great light
And so it continued both day and night.
Noel Noel Noel Noel
Born is the King of Israel!

**First Lesson** - Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-25 – Patty Williams, Reader

**Bring Us Hope** – Choir

**Second Lesson** - Isaiah 40: 1-11 - Tim Brookshire, Reader

**Coventry Carol** – Choir, Patty Williams, soprano

**Third Lesson** - Jeremiah 31: 31-34 - Linda Barcus, Reader

**Ashokan Farewell** - Kelsey Petterson, violin

**Fourth Lesson** - Isaiah 7: 10-15 - Martha Simoneau, Reader

**All On A Silent Night** - Choir

**Fifth Lesson** - Micah 5: 2-4 – Martha Simoneau, Reader

**Carol** – O Little Town of Bethlehem (all sing – the organ will play the carol through once)

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see they lie!

Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by;

Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light.

The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary, and, gathered all above

while mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wond’ring love.

O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth,

And praises sing to God the kind, and peace to all the earth!

**Bring A Torch, Jeannette Isabella** – Quartet

**Sixth Lesson** - Isaiah 11: 1- 9 – Dorinda Harbeson, Reader

**Night of Wonder** – Choir and violin, Kelsey Petterson

**Seventh Lesson** - Zephaniah 3: 14-18 – Linda Barcus, Reader

**Silent Night** – Quartet

**O Holy Night** - piano solo, Beth LaGro

**Eighth Lesson** - Isaiah 65: 17-25 – Pastor Cosette Riggs, Reader

**Still, Still, Still** – Choir

**Ninth Lesson** - Luke 1: 26-38 – Kris Vasquez, Reader

**Carol** – O Come All Ye Faithful – violins, guitar and organ will play first time through, and then all join in and sing:

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;

Come and behold him, born the kinf of angels:

O come, let us adore him. O come, let us adore,

O Come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,

Sing, all ye sitizens of heaen above!

Glory to God in the highest:

 O come, let us adore him. O come, let us adore,

O Come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

**Prayer and benediction**

**Organ postlude** – Joy to the World

**Reception follows in Walker Hall**



**Choir Members:** Dorinda Harbeson, Margaret Hangan, David Mills, Debra Noel, Patty Williams, Ken Malpas, Pam Hendrickson, and Joe Hendrickson

**Violins:** Kelsey Petterson, Dorinda Harbeson, Patty Williams

**Guitar:** David Mills

**Piano/organ:** Elizabeth LaGro