Order of Worship

4:00 p.m. Live Stream and In-Person Worship Service

(*Please stand if you are able.)

Prelude

Greeting and Welcome

* Call to Worship Michele Dasch

L: Rejoice and sing.

P: A child is born!

L: Sing songs of praise.

P: For the Prince of Peace is in our midst.

Rejoice and sing.

P: Christ is born! Hallelujah. Amen.

*Song O Come All Ye Faithful

UMH 234

Lighting of the Advent Candle

L: For those walking in darkness, a new light has dawned.

P: Christ is our light and the source of everlasting hope.

For those living in fear and dread, a new light has dawned.

P: Christ is our light and the source of everlasting hope.

L: For those living in hopelessness and despair, a new light has

P: Christ is our light and the source of everlasting hope.

For those living in loneliness, a new light has dawned.

P: Christ is our light and the source of everlasting hope.

Lighting of the Christ candle

ALL:

Tonight, we light all the candles as we celebrate the birth of Christ. The candles of hope, peace, love, and joy all remind us that Christ is our light and the source of eternal hope, everlasting peace, boundless love, and endless joy. The Christ candle reminds us that God's perfect gift was sent to us that we might have life abundant and everlasting. Joy to the world and peace on earth. Let us worship Christ, the newborn King.

Musical Response

Love's Pure Light

Joel Raney

Michele Dasch **Opening Prayer** God of joyous expectation, come to us this day. May the miracles in our lives fill us with wonder. May an encounter with your goodness and grace cause our hearts to leap within us. Receive us into the arms of your mercy, that we may feel you near us and rest secure in your many blessings. Amen.

Song

What Child is this

UMH 219

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 9:2-7

Michele Dasch

Reading of the Christmas Story

Luke 2:1-20

*Song

The Friendly Beasts

UMH 227

Children's Sermon

Christmas Carol Hymn Sing O Holy Night

CH 285 O, Little Town of Bethlehem CH 250 Angels We Have Heard on High CH 278 CH 277 Hark, the Herald Angels Sing The First Noel CH 265

Offering of our gifts

(Your giving to LUMC makes ministry possible in our community and around the world! Thank you! You can give online at: https://lansdaleumc.org/giving/)

Special Music

Breath of Heaven

(Chris & Amy Grant) Zoeh John & Ruth Rineer

Christmas Prayer

*Song

Away in a Manger

UMH 217

Gospel Lesson

Luke 2:8-12

Message

Good News - Don't Be Afraid **Pastor Warner**

Candlelighting Ceremony

Silent Night

CH 253

Joy to the World

CH 270

Postlude

Scifres, Mary; Beu, B.J.. The Abingdon Worship Annual 2021 (p. 202). Abingdon Press. Kindle Edition. UMH - United Methodist Hymnal; FWS - Faith We Sing; W&S - Worship & Song, CH – Celebration Hymnal

WEEKLY UPDATES AND CHURCH NEWS



Offering Envelopes for 2022

Available outside Stringer Auditorium for those who are not giving online or through their bank website. If you are considering giving online but have questions, please contact Warren Shaedle at 215-692-0668 for additional information.

New Member/Inquirer Class

Are you considering making LUMC your home church? Would you like to know more about what we believe as United Methodists? Want to learn about ministry here at LUMC? Then you may want to participate in the next New Member/Inquirer class. Pastor Warner will be teaching the class. Contact Pastor Warner (stewwarner@outlook.com) if you would like to come to the class.

John Wesley Covenant Communion

Join us Sunday, January 2 as we celebrate communion using an adaptation of the Covenant Communion Service from John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist Church. This communion service offers us an opportunity to begin the year with a reminder of God's presence and God's call on our lives.

Joy to The World!

Joy to the world! The Lord is come: Let earth receive her King. Let every heart prepare Him room, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the world! The Savior reigns: Let men their songs employ, While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love, And wonders of His love And wonders, wonders of His love.

Silent Night, Holy Night

Silent night, holy night, All is calm, all is bright Round yon virgin mother and Child. Holy Infant so tender and mild. Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight. Glories stream from heaven afar; Heavenly hosts sing alleluia. Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light Radiant beams from Thy holy face. with the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord at Thy birth, Jesus Lord at Thy birth.



Community Block Party Team

LUMC will be offering a community block party in our parking lot in summer 2022. Date is yet to be set. Pastor Warner is looking for people to help with this planning team as we seek to build bridges and connections with people in our community. The block party will also be a time for us to make connections with local agencies and municipalities. We'll have activities for children and youth and hope to have lots of food as well. Email Pastor

Warner (<u>stewwarner@outlook.com</u>) if you would like to serve on this team as we seek to be in mission to our surrounding community.

December Mission St. John UMC, Bridgeton NJ

The community around Bridgeton has been served by a Methodist church for more than 170 years. Today, St. John United Methodist Church continues to serve the community, many of them Native Americans. St. John UMC holds Native American worship service the fifth Sunday of the month, organizes Vacation Bible School with a Native American



centered curriculum and provides much needed food and other necessities to the community. The congregation is now searching for a Native American pastor to fill the position left vacant by the death of Rev. Roy Bundy who served the church for a number of years.

December Lay Readers

Dec 5 - Michelle Johnson

Dec 12 - Liz Bonner

Dec 24 4 pm - Michele Dasch

Dec 24 7 pm - Alex Holnick

Dec 26 - Luann Ingram



This week's ushers

Ed Ingram, Lu Ingram, Bill Cole, Richard Hardisty

Weekly Bulletin Announcements

If you have an announcement for the weekly bulletin, please e-mail it to the church office office@lansdaleumc.org no later than Wednesday morning each week. Thank you.

January Circuit Rider Newsletter

Please send your announcements to the church office office@lansdaleumc.org by the 15th of each month

This Week's Schedule		
YouTube Channel: <u>Lansdale UMC</u>		
Facebook Page: facebook.com/Lansdale-United-Methodist-Church		
Sun 12/26	0,00 am	Warshin Sarvice (enline and constructual)
Suli 12/20	9:00 am	Worship Service (online and sanctuary)
Mon 12/27		Office Closed
	12:00 pm	AA Meeting (Hecker Rm)
Tue 12/28		Office Open 8:30 am - 3:00 pm
	1:00 am	Staff Meeting – Pastor and Admin. Asst.
Wed 12/29		Office Open 8:30 am - 2:00 pm
Thu 12/30		Office Open 8:30 am – 2:00 pm
	6:30 pm	Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
	7:00 pm	NA Meeting (Hecker Rm)
Fri 12/31		Office Open 8:30 am – 2:00 pm
Sat 1/1/2022		New Year's Day
Sun 1/2		John Wesley Covent Communion
	9:00 am	Worship Service (online and sanctuary)

Lansdale United Methodist Church

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District Superintendent – Rev. Dr. Andrew Foster

Lead Pastor – Rev. Steward Warner stewwarner@outlook.com – 215-990-4581 (cell)

Leadership

Paul Bonner – Lay Leader Kris Neild – Church Council Chair Darren Johnson – Treasurer Bob Kennedy – Trustee President Michelle Johnson – Staff Parish Relations Chair

Staff

Robin Cirillo - Administrative Assistant Liz Bonner – Director of Christian Education Rays Koshy – Music Director Ruth Rineer – Organist Custodian

Lansdale United Methodist Church

December 24, 2021 4 PM

Christmas Eve



Message

Good News – Don't Be Afraid Luke 2:8-12

Our Mission

Praising God • Making Disciples • Serving All

Join us for online worship! Livestreamed on Sundays at 9am

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Facebook: Facebook.com/Lansdale-United-Methodist-Church

LUMC Covid-19 Mitigation Policy for Indoor Worship & Meetings

We are following Montgomery County guidelines.

Masks are required for all persons indoors, vaccinated or not.

Online worship is available for persons who are not vaccinated and who are unable to wear a mask.

Love God - Love Your Neighbor - Help stop the spread of Covid-19.