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

(*Please stand if you are able.)

Prelude	Away in A Manger	M. Kim
Greeting and Welcome	<i>,</i> ,	Pastor Warner
*Call to Worship		Luann Ingram
L: The night was dark		· ·
P: A baby lay in a ma	nger.	
L: The night was still.	•	
P: Angels sang to sh	epherds.	
L: The night was expe	-	
P: God's glory shone		
L: On this night,	0,	
P: Let us rejoice in th	e gift of love.	
*Song	O Come All Ye Faithful	UMH 234
Lighting of the Christ Ca	ndle	

Toni Warner-McIntyre, Kevin McIntyre, Jadeyn, Jaxon, Levi, Jetta Isaiah 52:7-10

L: Christ Jesus comes to us this day. With the angels we sing; "Glory to God in the highest heaven." Together we sing for joy. A baby has been born in Bethlehem. With the Shepherds, we kneel before the manger of hope. How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings us good news, who announces salvation, who says to us, "Your God reigns."

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Sing out with praise! Hope has come to us: to poor All: and to rich, to old and young, to the infinite sky and the reaved earth, to people of all nations and all hues of color. Break forth together in singing! Jesus is born! As we light the Christ candle, let us sing with praise and joy, for Hope is born today.

Musical Response Infant Holy, Infant Lowly **UMH 229**

Opening Prayer

Luann Ingram

Loving God, this is a holy night. We come longing to hear your story of new life and hope. Speak your words of truth and power. May the gift of your love be born anew among us. Cast out our fears, that we may rejoice in your power and your goodness. Amen.

*Song	What Child is This?	UMH 219
Reading of the Christmas Christmas Prayer	•	ann Ingram or Warner
*Song	He is Born	UMC 228
Children's Choir Com	ne on, Ring Those Bells	Culverwell
Children's Sermon		Pastor Warner
Christmas Carol Hymn Sin	ng	
O Holy Nigh	nt (vs. 1 & 3)	CH 285
	vn of Bethlehem (vs. 1 & 4)	CH 250
5	Have Heard on High (Chorus	• /
Hark, the He The First No	erald Angels Sing (vs. 1 & 3) el (vs. 1)	CH 277 CH 265

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*Christmas Doxology	l I	<u> </u>
*Song	Away in a Manger	UMH 217
*Offering Prayer Gospel Lesson	Matthew 1:18-25	
Message	A Love Story	Pastor Warner
*Candlelighting Cere	mony	
	Silent Night Joy to the World	CH 253 CH 270
*Postlude	On Christmas Night	W & S 3064
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WEEKLY UPDATES AND CHURCH NEWS

Offering Envelope Boxes For 2024

Offering envelope boxes for 2024 are being prepared and will be available to congregants for pickup at the church in mid-December. Picking up your envelopes will help us to save on postage. Your envelope giving number for 2024 may differ from your 2023 giving number as the number of members who use boxed

offering envelopes has changed. If you give through Realm, via text or other on-line methods, you will not receive a boxed set of envelopes. Please email your questions / concerns to financialsecretary@lansdaleumc.org.

Pastor Warner on Renewal / Study Leave / Vacation

Pastor Warner will be on renewal/ study leave January 2-5 and vacation from January 6-15. He will return to the office on January 16. Pastor Warner was originally planning to travel to Israel with Bishop Schol, clergy, and others. The trip was canceled due to the ongoing war between Israel and Hamas. Pastor Warner is now taking this time for rest, renewal, and study time following the Christmas season.

On Call Pastor

Rev. Susan Ketterer is on call for Pastoral emergencies while Pastor Warner is on his Rest/Renewal Retreat followed by vacation Jan 2-15. You can call the church office (215-855-8364) and Ally will relay the info to Pastor Ketterer. You can also reach Pastor Ketterer on her cell phone 267-577-2223.

John Wesley Covenant Communion

We will begin 2024 with communion on the first Sunday of the year, January 7, 2024. Deb Neild will be preaching, while Pastor Warner is on his vacation. The communion service will be an adaptation of John Wesley's Covenant Communion Service. Come and begin this new year with the powerful spiritual insights from this moving liturgy by John Wesley.

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.

Joy to The World!

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.

Laity Sunday

Laity Sunday will be celebrate on January 14. Rays Koshy, Music Director, and Paul Bonner, Lay Leader, are planning this service that will be led entirely by lay folks. Alex Holnick will deliver the Old Testament reading, sermon, and benediction. Rays Koshy and the musical trio will preform the music. Luann Ingram is participating also. If you're interested in participating please contact Paul Bonner at Bonnerbunch6@aol.com.

December Mission Emphasis

The Blue Envelope for December will support St. John UMC in Bridgeton, NJ. The church is designated as an Historic Native American Methodist Church, the only church with such designation in the state of New Jersey and is the fifth oldest Native American Methodist Church in the nation. It is the home church to many members of the Nanticoke Lenni-Lenape Tribal Nation. The church building has been described as a "place of meeting for tribal affairs when none were available or allowed and a place of ministry to help the spiritual and physical needs of those in need."

WAWA Coupons

Looking for an easy gift idea that never expires and is loved by everyone? Wawa coupons are your answer. LUMC's own United Women in Faith are selling Wawa coupons good for one "shorti". They are a great bargain and still just \$5.00 a piece! The profits from each sale goes to our mission budget which supports both local and global missions. Contact Maryellen Reinmiller at 215-913-1666 to place your order.

Nursery Attendant Search

We are continuing to look for a second person to staff the Infant/Toddler nursery. Donna Fritz has been hired as one of the attendants. We are looking for an additional person to help support her.

Prayer Chain

Janet Harper is coordinating the LUMC Prayer Chain you can email (harperjanetk6@gmail.com) or call (215-699-3026) if you have something you would like to be added to the LUMC Prayer Chain.



Sunday School | Adult Bible Study Rooms

Children's Sunday School – A 205 Wesleyan Class – A 202 New Horizons Fellowship Class – A 206 Upper Room Class – A 207

This Week at LUMC				
Sun 12/24	0.00 414	Advent 4 Christmas Eve		
	9:00 AM	 Worship (online and sanctuary) No Sunday School 		
	4 PM	Candle Lit Service (Children Choir)		
	7 PM	Candle Lit Service (Adult Choir Brass Band)		
Mon 12/25		Christmas Day		
		Office Closed		
Tue 12/26	7:30 PM	NA Meeting (Hecker Room)		
Thu 12/28	6:45 PM	Chancel Choir		
	7:00 PM	NA Meeting (Hecker Room)		
Fri 12/29		Pastor's Day Off		

Ways to Give

- 1. Mail slot on 4th Street
- 2. Mail to church address
- 3. www.lansdaleumc.org/giving on Realm
- 4. Text LansdaleFirstUMC to 73256

Lav Readers

Dec 24 (9 AM) - Michele Dasch Dec 24 (4PM) – Luann Ingram Dec 24 (7PM) - Verna Colliver December 31 – Liz Bonner January 7 - Verna Colliver January 14 – Alex Holnick

Ushers

Ed Ingram, Luann Ingram, Alan Dickel, Maryellen Reinmiller

Weekly Bulletin Announcements

If you have an announcement for the weekly bulletin, please e-mail it to the church office, no later than 9AM Wednesday morning.

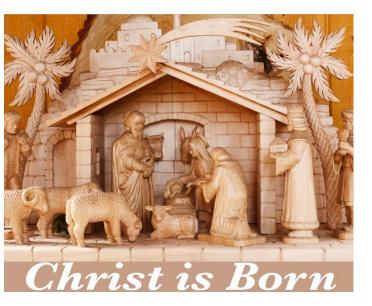
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Ruth Rineer – Organist				
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Christmas Eve



Message A Love Story

Matthew 1:18-25

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