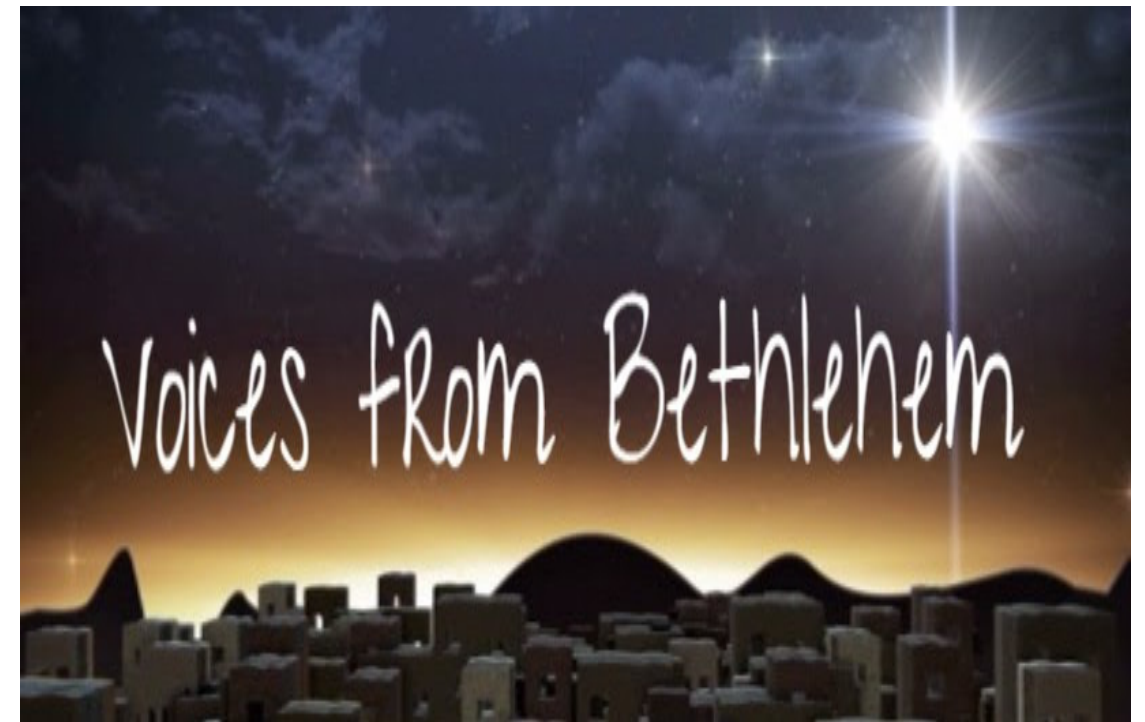


## Poinsettias Given By

- Bobby & Eileen Salome in memory of John & Becky Shamaley
- Bobby & Eileen Salome in memory of Cissy Colligan
- Bobby & Eileen Salome in memory of Homer & Mary Salome
- Ann & Ray Lovelady in memory of Many Loved Ones
- Wendy & Marc Moomaw in memory of Dr. Gordon Black
- Sherry Karns in honor of The Staff
- Lindsay Green in loving memory of Leighton Green
- Lindsay Green in loving memory of Dr. J. Leighton and Virginia Peeler Green
- Lindsay Green in loving memory of Bob and Louise Marshall
- Martha Lyon in memory of Warren and loving family
- Martha Lyon in honor of Pastor Neal and family
- Beverly Stevens in memory of W. Alfred and Leora Smith
- Beverly Stevens in memory of Marcia Prest
- Beverly Stevens in honor of Lindsay Green
- Allen & Pat Reaves in honor of family and Monte Vista Friends
- Allen & Pat Reaves in honor of our Parents
- Dottie Black in loving memory of my husband, Dr. Gordon Black
- Nita Kerr in memory of my parents, Ethel and Jimmy Rogers
- The Field Family in honor Dr. James & Mrs. Pat McLaughlin
- The Field Family in memory of Harolyn & Truman Field
- Rick Winton in memory of my Dad
- Jeff, Wiley, Laurie, Wayne Nelson, James, Patty & Sawyer Nelson in memory of Jessica Nelson
- James Holt in memory of my dearest dad, Howard Holt
- James Holt in honor of my dearest mom, Lois Holt
- Susan Dalessandro in memory of deceased relatives, humans & pets
- Marina Schlinke
- Jessica & Demetri Cochran in memory of Mary Katherine Sims
- Esther & Zoe in honor of Mary R. Martinez, our mom and great-grandma
- Parents Bobby & Suzi Goldston in memory of Jessica Nelson
- Jamie Goldston & Shane Jones in memory of Jessica Nelson
- In honor of Ellen Nelson, Martha Lyon, Lindsay Green, Lilla Lide, Dottie Black May Fiske given by Donna Minear
- In memory of Jack Barron, Dr. Gordon Black, Henry Lide given by Donna Minear
- Majd Sarah for Sarah family's health
- Dalton & Kimmie Caldwell in memory of their uncle, Marshall T. Robinson



**December 24, 2017**  
**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**  
**6:00 p.m.**

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

*\*An asterisk indicates places where the congregation should stand, as able. **Bold text** indicates words spoken together in unison.*

Prelude

Chiming of the Hour WESTMINSTER

Lighting of the Advent Candles *Graham, Sarah & Winona Sweitzer*

Welcome & Opening Prayer

\*Hymn: "O Come, All Ye Faithful" *Hymnal #133*

\*Prayer of Confession

**God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of your grace, and live in the truth of Christ the Lord. Amen.**

\*Words of Forgiveness & Passing of the Peace

*You are invited to turn and greet your neighbors, saying "May the peace of Christ be with you."*

\*Response: "Glory Be to the Father" *Hymnal #581*

## WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn: "O Little Town of Bethlehem" *Hymnal #121*

Scripture Reading: Luke 2:8-14 *New Testament, page 58*

Sermon: "Voices from Bethlehem: The Joy of Angels" *Rev. Neal Locke*

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer *Hymnal, page 35*

Announcements

Offertory Anthem: "Bleak Midwinter's Gift" *Joseph Martin*

\*Response: "Doxology" *Hymnal #606*

\*Affirmation of Faith: "The Apostles' Creed" *Hymnal, page 35*

## WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

Lighting the Christmas Candles

*This year, in order to protect our environment and our beautiful sanctuary, we are using electric candles. The on/off switch is located on the bottom of the candle. When all the candles are distributed and lit, we will carry them out the front entrance of the church into the darkness. Following the benediction, please remember to return your candle to one of our ushers before you leave.*

\*Hymn: "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!**

**Silent night, holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light; With the angels let us sing: Alleluia to our King. Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born!**

\*Benediction (outdoors)