



St. Andrews United Methodist Church  
 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent \* Children's Christmas Pageant  
 December 22, 2024  
 10 a.m.

\*Please stand as you are able

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude "What Child Is This?" Sarah Grace Alley

Bringing in the Light of Christ

\*Call to Worship

Leader: We come from a world of darkness...

**People: Into Christ's world of light.**

Leader: We come from a world of weariness...

**People: Into God's strength and hope.**

Leader: We come from a slumbering world...

**People: To awaken our souls and watch for the coming of Christ, as we pray for peace on earth and goodwill to all.**

\*Opening Hymn "There's a Song in the Air" #249

\*Opening Prayer

Holy God, with expectant hearts we your people await Christ's coming. As once He came in humility, so now may He come in glory, that He may make all things perfect in your everlasting kingdom. For He is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

\*Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" #70

Lighting the Advent Wreath The Sledge Family

Hymn "Light the Advent Candle" v. 4  
 Light the Advent Candle, four: Think of joy forevermore;  
 Christ Child in a stable born, gift of love that Christmas morn.  
 Candle, candle, burning bright, shining in the cold winter night;  
 Candle, candle, burning bright, fill our hearts with Christmas light

Old Testament Lessons Micah 5:2-5a  
 Isaiah 9:2-7

\*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed #881

\*Passing the Peace

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes to God

Offertory: "Once in Royal David's City" Sandy Rosser

\*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

Joys, Concerns & Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer #895

\*Hymn "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" #218

(We will transition to the Children's Christmas Program following this hymn)



A Gift for You

The Alley family has prepared old-fashioned treat bags as a gift to each of you as a small token of appreciation for our shared life and ministry together! These treat bags are a reminder of the treat bags Pastor Mamie received at Christmas from her home church, Vass United Methodist Church, when she was growing up. Please pick one up as you leave today! Merry Christmas!!!



Children's Christmas Pageant:  
**"The Best Story Ever Told"**

Cast of Characters:  
(In Order of Appearance)

Mary: Ava Franklin

Joseph: Nyle Smith

Shepherds:  
Ezra Kelly & Eric Kelly

Animals:  
Daisy Branagan, Lena Stochmal & Josie Stochmal

Angels:  
Lucie Edson, Zara Kelly, Zoey Stochmal & Teagan Wight

Wise Men:  
Roman Branagan, Carson Sledge & Sterling Sledge

Congregational Hymns:

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"	#230
"O Come, All Ye Faithful"	#234
"The First Noel"	#245
"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"	#240
"We Three Kings"	#254
"Joy to the World"	#246

\*Blessing & Benediction Pastor Mamie

\*Postlude "Joy to the World" Sarah Grace Alley



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