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FIRST METHODIST CHURCH CLOVIS December 28, 2025

VOLUNTARY

Ferrell Roberts, organ

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

setting by Kevin Hildebrand

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jeb Archey

*CALL TO WORSHIP Mindy Sena

Leader: Let us go, in heart and mind, to see what has come to pass.

Let us go with the shepherds:

People: Let us go to find the Savior! Leader: Let us go with the wise ones:

People: Let us go to find God's promise, born for us! Leader: Let us go with the poor and humble:

People: Let us go to find our King, born in a lowly manger.

Leader: Let us go with all the world,

with all the peoples of the nations.

Come, let us worship; come, let us adore him:

People: Christ the Lord!

*HYMN There's a Song in the Air

UMH #249

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Mindy Sena

I believe in Jesus Christ and in the beauty of the gospel begun in Bethlehem.

I believe in the one whose spirit glorified a little town; and whose spirit still brings music to persons all over the world.

I believe in the one for whom the crowded inn could find no room, and I confess that my heart still sometimes wants to exclude Christ from my life today.

I believe in the one who the rulers of the earth ignored and the proud could never understand; whose life was among common people, whose welcome came from persons of hungry hearts.

I believe in the one who proclaimed the love of God to be invincible:

I believe in the one whose cradle was a mother's arms, whose modest home in Nazareth had love for its only wealth, who looked at persons and made them see what God's love saw in them, who by love brought sinners back to purity, and lifted human weakness up to meet the strength of God.

I confess my ever-lasting need of God: The need of forgiveness for our selfishness and greed, the need of new life for empty souls, the need of love for hearts grown cold.

I believe in God who gives us the best of himself. I believe in Jesus, the Son of the living God, born in Bethlehem, for me and for the world. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

UMH #70

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S TIME Rev. Jeb Archey

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Jeb Archey

*HYMN Sing We Now of Christmas UMH #237

***SCRIPTURE** Matthew 2:1-12 Rev. Jeb Archey

The Word of God, for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSICZachary & Tara Hinds

Ding Dong! Merrily on High He Is Born

Arr. Anne Laura Page

SERMON Visitors from Afar Rev. Jeb Archey

TITHES AND OFFERINGS Rev. Jeb Archey

OFFERTORY Ferrell Roberts, organ

Pastorale on Greensleeves What Child Is This?

Marianne Bahmann/ed. Jon Spong

*DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

***HYMN People, Look East** UMH #202

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Jeb Archey

POSTLUDEThe First Noel
Janet Linker

Ferrell Roberts, organ

*you are invited to stand as able



WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:

Liturgist: Mindy Sena

Children's Time: Rev. Jeb Archey

Ushers/Greeters: Team 4 Acolytes: Blair, Ayden

Sound/Media: MaryNell Urban, Greg Jennings, Calvin DeWitt,

Natalie Jennings

SUNDAY SCHOOL
CLASSES ARE
NOT MEETING TODAY

NURSERY CARE

The nursery is open Sunday mornings for children birth to preschool. Our nursery is located in the north/education wing.

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