

St. Paul United Methodist Church
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Christmas Eve
December 24, 2018



The Worship of God

Preparing Your Hearts for Worship

Chiming of the Hour

***Call to Worship**

On this holiest of nights we come,

Joining the shepherds who are stunned in wonder.

On this most silent night we come,

Our hopes and dreams joining those of Mary and Joseph.

On this night of carols and candlelight we come,

Our glad songs joining with the choirs of angels over us.

[Rev. Thom Shuman, Lectionary Liturgies]

***Hymn**

○ *Come, All Ye Faithful*

UMH 234

***Passing of the Peace**

Welcome

Rev. Cassie Rapko

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Clay, Holly, Quinn
and Mac Elrod

Advent Candle Song

Light the white one, Christ is born,

Christ, the Light of the world.

Light the white one, Christ is born,

Christ is born today!

Celebration of our Children

Poems from the book *Manger*
by Lee Bennett Hopkins

(Children are invited to come forward with their animal masks.
Masks can be found at the front and back of the Sanctuary and
will be available during the Children's Time.)

Anthem

Ding Dong Merrily on High

Chancel Choir

Christmas Prayer

Rev. Cassie Rapko

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father (Creator) who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Want more information about what's happening at St. Paul? We generally send out emails weekly. If you'd like to be on our email list, contact the church office at office@stpaulgrantpark.org or 404-688-7501.

Activities. Members, visitors, friends, all are invited to participate in the various ministries at St. Paul. If you need more information please call the church office 404-688-7501.

Every Sunday:

- 10am **Sunday School** (all ages)
- 8:45am **Worship First** (casual, contemporary service with Holy Communion)
- 11am **Morning Worship** (traditional service)
- 12-ish **Hospitality:** Coffee, Cookies and Conversation (Chester Commons, most Sundays)

Choir Practice most Wednesdays at 7 pm and Sundays at 10:15 am.

Youth Group Variable schedule. Contact office@stpaulgrantpark.org for details and to be placed on our contact list.



Nursery is available for infants and young toddlers on the 3rd floor of the education building prior to and during the worship service. After the Children's Sermon, Kindergarten aged and pre-K children may go up to the nursery on the third floor or remain in their pews with their parents.