#### Hymn: Joy to the World Text: Isaac Watts (verses 1, 2 & 4)

Joy to the world! the Lord is come.

Let earth receive her King.

Let ev'ry 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.

He rules the earth 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.

#### Hymn: O Little Town of Bethlehem Text: Phillips Brooks (1835-1893)

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!

Above thy deep and dreamless sleep

the silent stars go by.

Yet in the dark streets shineth the everlasting Light.

The hopes and fears of all the years

are met in Thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary,
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wond'ring love.
O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth!
And praises sing to God the King,
and peace to all on earth.

How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is giv'n!
So God imparts to human hearts
the blessings of His heav'n.
No ear may hear His coming,
but in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him, still the
dear Christ enters in.

O Holy Child of Bethlehem! descend to us we pray.

Cast out our sin and enter in.

Be born in us today.

We hear the Christmas angels
the great glad tidings tell.

O come to us, abide with us Our Lord Emmanuel!

#### **SUNDAY, December 19, 2021 ~ 10:00 AM**

Rev. Bill Trump, Sermon Katelyn Peterson, Choir Director Rhonda Kwiecien, Keyboard Musician

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# FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of WALLWATOSA

#### Our Covenant

As followers of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves to share in the worship and service of God, to grow in the knowledge and expression of our faith, to reach out with compassion to those in need, to treat each other with love and understanding, and to return to God a portion of God's gifts.

## WORSHIP IN THE NAVE December 12, 2021~10am / Third Sunday of Advent

Please silence your cell phones.

If you are a guest today, we would love to meet and greet you. Join us for the Coffee Fellowship in the Lounge immediately following the service.

PRELUDE God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen Arr., T. Frederick H. Candlyn

Rhonda Kwiecien, Keyboard Musician

WELCOME Rev. Bill Trump

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Nick Sgarlata

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Leader: O Lord, open our eyes.

PEOPLE: That we may behold wondrous things out of Your law.

Leader: O Lord, open our lips.

PEOPLE: And our mouth shall show forth Your praise.

Leader: Praise, ye, the Lord.

PEOPLE: The Lord's name be praised.

HYMN Joy to the World ANTIOCH CM

(verses 1, 2 & 4) Elle Dannecker, Jill Bruss, Anthony Andronczyk, Brett Hanisko (No applause, please.)

#### THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION (read in unison)

Almighty and Eternal God, whose light shines in the midst of the darkness of this world, we give You thanks for this joyous time of year and for the gift of Your Son. Fill us with hope as we welcome the Christ into our lives once again. Fill us with the power of Your Holy Spirit as we gather here for worship. Amen.

INSTRUMENTAL RESPONSE

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Jeff and Diane Saeger

THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Ages 3, 4K and 5K

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Children ages 3 - 5th grade are invited to Sunday School. Youth grades 6 through 12 are invited to Pilgrim Fellowship in Youth Room 302.

THE LESSON Micah 5:1-4
Luke 2:1-7

Bible, page 847 Bible, page 933

**ANTHEM** 

Tidings of Comfort and Joy

Elle Dannecker, Jillian Bruss and Katelyn Peterson

THE MESSAGE "Inn Too Crowded?"

Rev. Bill Trump

**ANTHEM** 

Angels We Have Heard on High Anthony Andronczyk and Brett Hanisko PASTORAL PRAYER AND RESPONSE

OFFERTORY

Breath of Heaven (Mary's Song)

Arr. by Mark Hayes

#### **DEDICATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS**

HYMN

O Little Town of Bethlehem (No applause, please.)

ST. LOUIS

(all verses)

**BENEDICTION** 

**POSTLUDE** 

*Joy to the World* 

Arr. by Michael Burhardt

#### CARE FOR CHILDREN

A nursery for infants and toddlers is available during the 10:00 AM service.

Thank you to the Board of Deacons and the many volunteers whose hard work transformed the Nave so beautifully for Advent and Christmas.

### Caring Corner as of December 9, 2021

#### In Our Prayers

*Hank Collis* is recovering at home following foot surgery.

**Sharon & Richard Raymond and family** as they mourn the death of Sharon's brother and Ardith Moore's uncle, Loren Dyko.

#### Born to Eternal Life

David York passed away November 21, 2021. Services were held.