

Christmas Eve Worship 7:30pm

December 24, 2019

PRELUDE Purvis
What Child Is This

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER Rev. Emily Knight

INTROIT Hopson
A Christmas Antiphonal, Ashley Alston and Chancel Choir

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN: No. 234
O Come, All Ye Faithful (Verses 1-3, 6)

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Joy to the world! Our Lord has come: swaddled and in a manger.
Glory to God in the highest!
Joy to the world! The saviour reigns:
with justice and love for the poor and lowly.
Glory to God in the highest!
For born to us this day is Christ, the Messiah, the Lord.
Glory to God in the highest. And here on earth: peace.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH Isaiah 9:2-7
Joseph and Rachel Stillwell

ANTHEMS FROM THE CHILDREN
*Christmas Wish, RiverKid's: Praise
Still, Still Still, Chapel Ringers*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
One: "Lord, in your mercy"
ALL: "Hear our prayer."

*HYMN No. 238
Angels We Have Heard on High (Verses 1 & 4)

ANTHEM Krug
*In Dulci Jubilo (Good Christian Friends Rejoice)
Chancel Ringers*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Hagenberg
*Sussex Carol (On Christmas Night All Christians Sing)
Chancel Choir*

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION: Luke 2:1-20
Rev. Emily Knight

HOLY COMMUNION

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION Adam
O Holy Night, Holly Hammond, Soprano

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:
Eternal God, thank you for this Holy mystery in which you have revealed yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the light of your love to give ourselves in service to others. Amen.

LIGHTING OF CANDLES No. 239
Silent Night
(We will raise our candles during references to "light"
Please follow direction from the choir)

*HYMN No. 246
Joy to the World
Verses 1 & 4 (Please extinguish your candle at this time)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Chapman
Improvisation on "Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella"

* Congregation please stand

Welcome and Merry Christmas!

We have been praying for you before you even arrived!

- Our nursery is open for worshippers 0-4 years of age
- Small headsets are available that connect directly to our audio system. If you would like one of these personal hearing devices, please ask an usher.

ASSISTING IN TONIGHT'S SERVICE:

CHILDREN'S MUSIC DIRECTOR: Nancy Newman

LITURGIST: Mark Cashen

BANNER BEARERS: Makarios Brown, Jacob Mardini

CRUCIFERS: Jordan Mardini, Olivia Take

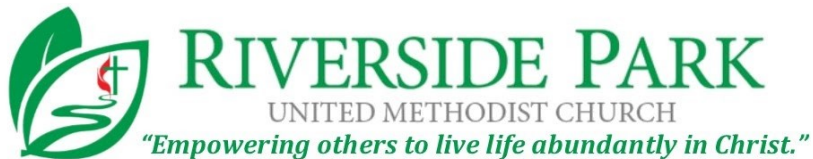
ACOLYTES: Joseph Lek, Malcolm Remo, Anthony Strong,
and Rhys Weisman

BIBLE BEARER: Andrew Strong

HEAD USHER: Gordon Middleton, Jr.

AV TEAM: Brittany Scott and Kaitlyn Fuller

COMMUNION STEWARDS: The Joos Family

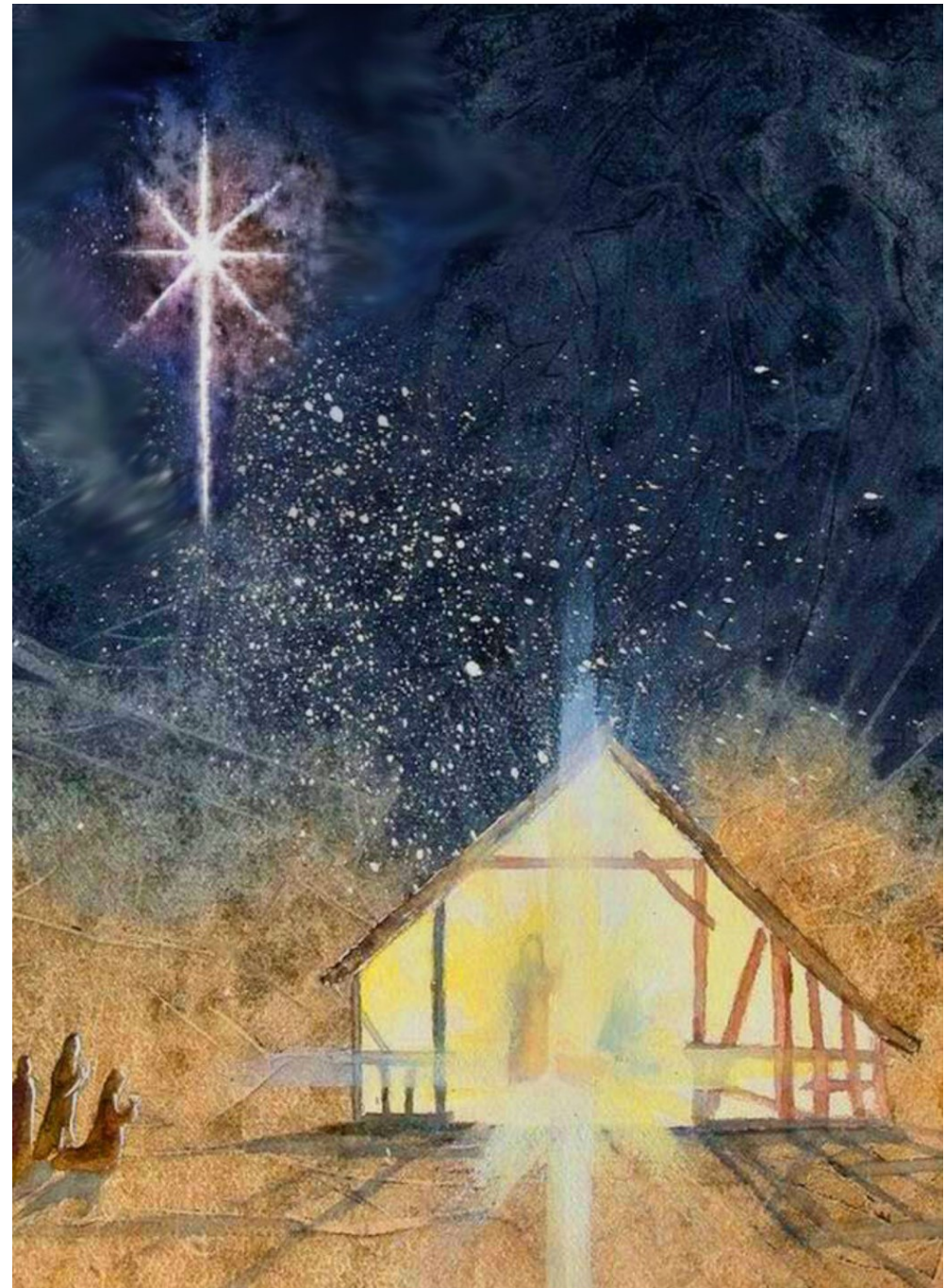


Sunday Worship Services: 9am Contemporary & 11am Traditional

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Joy to the World!