

ANTHEM TEXTS

Shepherds Arise

Shepherds arise, shepherds arise!  
Listen to the angels sing.  
Good news, great joy  
Tidings of the newborn King!

Fear not! Behold these glad tidings  
Come unto you on this day.

Jesus the promised Messiah sleeps in a manger of hay.

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There in a Bethlehem manger  
God's matchless gift of great worth  
God's wondrous love to us bringing  
Peace and good tidings to earth.

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Bethlehem

In the little village of Bethlehem,  
there lay a child one day,  
And the sky was bright with a holy light  
o'er the place where Jesus lay.  
'Twas a humble birthplace, but O how much  
God gave to us that day;  
From the manger bed what a path has led,  
what a perfect, holy way.

O Little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
the silent stars go by.  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
are met in thee tonight.

How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is giv'n,  
So God imparts to human hearts  
the blessing 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.



First Congregational Church of Wauwatosa  
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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.

Sunday, December 17, 2017 - 3rd Sunday of Advent  
10:00 AM - Worship in the Nave

Please silence your cell phones.  
If you are a guest this Sunday, we would love to greet you!  
Join us for Coffee Fellowship in the Friendship Lounge following the service.

WELCOME AND THE GREETING OF PEACE

Rev. Bill Trump

THE PRELUDE

O Dear Jesus ~ Italian Carol  
Bring a Torch Jeannette Isabella ~ French Carol  
Here Is Joy For Every Age ~ by Rev. Thomas Helmore Arr. Proulx  
(Thomas Helmore's father was a Congregational minister in the early 1800's.)  
FCC Brass Quartet - Trumpet / Scott Mason & Dave Miles  
Trombone / Jay Allison & Dan Miles

CHIMES

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come to the Manger to worship the King.  
PEOPLE: Come with the shepherds and join as they sing.  
Leader: Come to the crib and blessings receive.  
PEOPLE: Come unto Bethlehem, come and believe.

Maddie Sgarlata

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The Congregational Home, founded as an extension of the mission of the First Congregational Church of Wauwatosa,  
creates and maintains a caring community for the elderly offering housing, health care and quality of life services.

President/CEO - Kris Sprtel-NHA, Chaplain - Rev. Joseph Phillips, Board Chair - Doug Jacobson

\*HYMN 123

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

MENDELSSOHN

\*THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION

**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 the year and for the gift of Your Son. Fill us with the wonder and excitement of the little children 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. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.**

\*THE GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 558)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Jeffrey Mason & Dylan Hayden

SPECIAL MUSIC

*Shepherds Arise* by Dan R. Edwards  
*Mrs. Roxanne Trump-Miles conducts the Junior & Cherub Choirs*

THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

**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.**

*All youth aged 3 through high school will head to the Social Hall for special Christmas activities.*

THE LESSONS

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 Bible, page 678  
Luke 1:46-55 Bible, page 932

ANTHEM

*Bethlehem* Brooks & Neidlinger/Arr. Larson  
*Dr. Patrick Dill conducts the FCC Choir*

THE MESSAGE

“Do You Hear What I Hear?” Rev. Bill Trump

THE CALL TO PRAYER and TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE

THE OFFERTORY

*A Christmas Medley*  
*Payton Breitzmann ~ flute*

\*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 563)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*HYMN 111

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

ST. LOUIS

\*THE CHARGE and BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

\*THE POSTLUDE

*Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers!*  
*Sortie*

setting by Franklin D. Ashdown

**CARE FOR CHILDREN**

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

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**Caring Corner**

**Death ~ Herbert C. Ewert** passed away on Friday, November 24.  
Services were held.

**In Our Prayers ~ Ralph Ehlert** recovering.

**Lauren Priegel**, a former member of First Church who moved out of state, passed away on Thursday, December 7th.

**Worship Preview for Sunday, December 24, 2017 / 10:00 AM - Worship in the Nave**

Children remain in church with their families. Rev. Bill Trump presents the message.  
Dr. Patrick Dill directs the FCC Choir - Rhonda Kwiecien - organist

**Dec. 24th includes 4 pm & 10 pm services for Christmas Eve.**

*Dec. 31st will be a Taize service format at 10 am only.*