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Weekly Deadline for Bulletin Wednesday at 12 noon



**Wear an Ugly Sweater
Sunday, December 31, 2023**

Caro United Methodist Church



Love that Transforms Us / Our Wondrous

**December 24th, 2023
Worship Service 11:00 am**

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ALL ARE WELCOME HERE!

If you are visiting for the first time, please fill out the green Welcome Card from the pew rack and drop it in the offering plate when it is passed. If you have a prayer request or praise, please use the yellow card from the pew rack. The Ushers will pick it up at prayer time. Those who can stand may do so at the sign of the arrow (↗). Hearing devices are available from the sound booth if you have difficulty hearing our speaker. If you missed **Online** Worship Service on December 17th, 2023, you now have two ways you can watch.\

1. Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/>
2. Our website: www.caroumc.org
3. YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/live/RrwvTc0UaGo?si=k82-yy5LixOOubbj>

PRELUDE: ENTRANCE - OPENING PRAYER

Fourth Sunday in Advent – Advent Candle Lighting Liturgy-Kirk & Striffler Family
Lighting of the Christ Candle (Pastor Bob)

↗ **SPECIAL CELLO MUSIC: Joseph Snider**

WELCOME – GREETINGS - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Call to Worship (Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock)

Leader: Stop. Listen. Pay attention. Love is coming near.

People: We wait in the love of the coming Messiah that transforms us.

Leader The Hope-Bringer, Peace-Maker, Joy-Sustainer grows in a womb,
preparing to be born among us.

People: We wait in the love of the coming Messiah that transforms us.

Leader: With Mary, we long for the coming of the Child who will transform the world,
bringing justice where injustice reigns, fullness where hunger persists, and favor to
the ones the world calls lowly.

People: We wait in the love of the coming Messiah that transforms us.

Leader: So let us join our voices and our lives in magnifying God, our Savior!

**People: We come to wait and to declare the coming of the Love that
transforms us! Amen.**

↗ (Stand) **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*Since we have peace with God through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, let us
stand and share this peace with one another.*

RESPONSE HYMN Holy, Holy, Holy (verses 1,2)

UMH 64
(United Methodist Hymnal)

Children's Time with Pastor

CHRISTMAS EVE MORNING OFFERING

↗ (Stand) **DOXOLOGY UMH 95**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD
SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:26-38 NIV

↗ **CHOIR The First Noel (Verses 1,2, & 5)**

UMH 245
(United Methodist Hymnal)

Message: God with Us - Love

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↗ **CHOIR O Little Town of Bethlehem**

UMH 230
(United Methodist Hymnal)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Prayers of God's People (The ushers will collect the prayer request cards)

Prayers by the Congregation

↗ (Stand) **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

↗ **CHOIR/ALL Joy to the World (Verses 1,2, & 4)**

UMH 246
(United Methodist Hymnal)

Benediction and Blessings

POSTLUDE:

Musician: Choir - Linda Miller, Joe Snider, Cello - Polly Tan, Piano

Liturgist: Deborah Robinson.

**Cass City Choir Members: Eunice Kaufman, Cathy Tuckey, Ron Dimmitt, Fran
Simmons, Henry Lapp, Morris Powell.**

**Caro Choir Members: Joan Stover, Mary Bud Jarvis, Donna Hayes, Carol
Striffler, Peggy Reavey, Bud Jarvis, Keith Lippowiths, Michael Reed.**