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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 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Worship Service 7:00 pm**

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*Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023*  
**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 24th, 2023, you now have two ways you can watch.\

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

**PRELUDE: ENTRANCE - OPENING PRAYER**  
**Advent Candle Lighting Liturgy**

(Julie Czekai/Pastor Bob)

**CHOIR It Came Upon the Midnight Clear**

**UMH 218**  
(United Methodist Hymnal)

**WELCOME – GREETINGS - ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Call to Worship** (Written by Ciona D. Rouse)

Leader: God's Name: Holy, Mercy, Redeemer, Fulfiller  
Rejoice like Mary! Dance from the depths of your soul!

**People: The Mighty One has done great things! Holy is God's name.**

Leader: God showed mercy to our mothers, mercy to our sons.  
God dethroned the masters and crowned the slaves.

**People: The Mighty One has done great things! Mercy is God's name.**

Leader: God shone light on the tears of the displaced.  
God turned their sorrows into rainbows.

**People: The Mighty One has done great things! Redeemer is God's name.**

Leader: God filled the mouth of the child in famine.  
God fulfilled the promise of saving this world.

**People: The Mighty One has done great things! Fulfiller is God's name 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)

↗ **SPECIAL CELLO MUSIC: Joseph Snider**

**CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING**

↗ (Stand) **DOXOLOGY UMH 95**

**SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:(1-7), 8-20 (NIV)**

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

(Please Join in singing the following hymns words appear on the screens)

**CHOIR**

**What Child is This (verse 1) - UMH 219**  
**Angels We Have Heard on High (verse 1) - UMH 238**  
**Away In the Manager (all verses) - UMH 217**

**Message:**

**Christmas Message**

**Pastor Bob Demyanovich**

**INTERCESSORY PRAYERS**

↗ (Stand) **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

↗ (Stand)

**CANDLE LIGHTING**  
**CHOIR/ALL Silent Night UMH 239**

(On the Final verse, the Pastor, Liturgist and then the people will leave and either keep or place their candles and holders in the baskets within the Narthex.)

**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.**