

December 24, 2023

Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

Christmas Eve

Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull Worship Associate: Steve Clark Readers: Cindy Duckworth, Julia Friesen, Deb Brod, Emily Clark

Order of Worship

Ringing the Bell

Welcoming Words

Introit "Rise up in festive song," Pierre Clereau, Patrick Liebergen

Chalice Lighting

Hymn #235 "Deck the Hall with Boughs of Holly," (verses 1 & 3)

Time For All Ages "A Visit From St. Nicholas," Clement Clarke Moore

Hymn of Hope #237 "The First Nowell" (verses 1 & 2)

Antiphonal Reading #621 "Why Not a Star?"

Music "Star of Wonder," Terre Roche

Reading Luke 2:1-7

Music "Still, Still, Still," Austrian Carol, arr. Mack Wilberg

Reading Luke 2:8-14

Hymn of Joy #231 "Angels We Have Heard on High (all 3 verses)

Reading "Winter Blessing," Rebecca Ann Parker

Music "In the Bleak Midwinter," Gustav Holst, arr. Bethany Brinton

Reading "Litany for the Season," Peter Friedrichs

Hymn of Peace #244 "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," (verses 1 & 3)

Reading "A Christmas Prayer," Maureen Killoran

Hymn #233 "Bring a Torch" (last two verses)

Reading "God is Always Needing to Be Born," Meister Eckhart

Music "Brightest and Best," Southern Harmony tune, words by Reginald Heber, arr. Shawn Kirchner

Offertory The UUSG "Make A Difference" (MAD) Fund

Reading "Christmas in the Bathroom," Robert Fulghum

Hymn of Love #245 "Joy to the World!" (all 3 verses)

Homily "Silent Night"

Hymn of Light #251 "Silent Night"

Chalice Extinguishing, Benediction & Dismissal



Thank you for joining us this evening. May you have a most happy and blessed Christmas!

Special Music: Larry Glazier, cello; Wendy Evans, violin; Kathryn Siegel, violin; Mark Djordjevic, viola; Val Heinkel-Bollero, piano; Lara Ward, French Horn, Dave Hanchette, percussion

UUSG Choir, led by Cynthia Spiegel: Rhonda Robinson, Kelly Herz, Julie Riffle, Emily Clark, Rachel Harbold, Jessica Littlefield, Melanie Abercrombie, Megan Spencer, Colleen Cushing, Linda O'Neill, Teal Cyko, Lara Ward, Mary Davis, Ash Peterson, Andy Montgomery, Jake Montgomery, Roger Gallentine, David Hanchette, Mark Adams, Mike Bollero, Tom Haslett, Tom Zimmerman, Anne Heavey, Kyra Ward.

Technical Team: Jeff Stibal, Caroline Pickett, Scott Dotson, Cari Gesiakowski, Gina Grupe, Jamie Carroll.

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