

St. Paul's United Church

7:00 p.m. December 24th, 2015
Christmas Eve Family Service

* Please stand as you are able, sit as you prefer *

Prelude Still, Still, Still arr. Edwards
Introit Lord Prepare Me (X2) MV 18
*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary
pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living,
sanctuary for you.*

***Greeting**
The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all,
and also with you.

Call to Worship (Responsive)
A light shining in the darkness... *what could it be?*
The sound of angels' wings... *what could it mean?*
A baby born in a stable... *who could it be?*
Come to Bethlehem and see.

The Promise: Isaiah 9:2-7

Prayer of Hope
*God of wonderful possibilities, we come to you in this time with
Hope. We look to the future and see what can be, a world
where all people are fed, sheltered, and cared for. A world that
is not only worth hoping for, but worth striving for. Walk with
us through this season, help us to turn our hope to action. We
ask this in the name of Christ who moves through us. AMEN.*

***Hymn** O Come All Ye Faithful (vs 1, 3, 5) VU 60

Advent Candle Lighting The Simpson Family
We know that God is always with us.
We are not alone; we live in God's world.
This is our Hope, our light for the darkness.
*This is our peace, one unlike any the world has seen, but
one that Christ offers freely.*

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Anthem Peace, Peace Powell, arr. Bolks

Message

***Lighting of the Candles** Go Tell It On The Mountain VU 43

*Commissioning & Benediction

Go now in wonder. Go to bring light to those in darkness, joy to
those who can find no joy, and comfort to a world that is greatly in
need.

*We go with the songs of angels in our ears, and the love
of God in our hearts. We go to spread the word—the
babe of Bethlehem is born for all.*

Closing Silent Night VU 67

Postlude Joy to The World arr. Ritter

Greeters:

Upstairs: Hope Brewer & Darrell Bruce

Downstairs: Left: Murray Simpson & Blaine Irving

Right: Tammy Coughlin & Dean Jones

Middle: Isabel Green

Dec. 27 Coffee Hour: UCW

For the week of Dec. 28th to January 3rd, **Rev. Richard Bowley**
will be on vacation. For emergency pastoral care, please contact
Cathy in the office at 458-1183. The church office will be closed un-
til December 29th.

Merry Christmas

Christmas Memorials

A donation has been made to the Organ/Memorial Chimes Fund in memory of Marion Blackmer by son, John and family.

A donation has been made to St. Paul's Operating Fund in memory of Merle Cull by his wife Jean & daughters Heather, Barbara & Joanne.

A donation has been made to St. Paul's Operating Fund in memory of our parents, Frank and Mary Hallett by daughters Roberta Watson and June Hallett.

A donation has been made to the Operating Fund in memory of my parents, Marven and Diana Palmer by Alanna Palmer.

A donation has been made to St. Paul's Operating Fund in memory of Donald MacFarlane by George & Lesslie Noble.

Flowers in the sanctuary have been placed in loving memory of Ralph Dingee, by daughter, Mary, and grandchildren, Melinda and Michael Jacobs.

Bulletins for this evening's services are donated in loving memory of Dr. E.H. and Shirley Sutherland by their grandchildren Claire and Kate Green.

2016 Offering Envelopes

Please pick up your 2016 envelopes—they can be found in the Narthex. If anyone wishes to begin on the PAR program or receive envelopes please contact Cathy Simpson at 458-1183—thank you. cathysimpson@nb.aibn.com

2015 Donations—please ensure that all donations reach the church office by 10 a.m. on Dec. 31st if you wish to have them included in your 2015 tax receipt.

