



**CHRISTMAS EVE 2021**

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**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS**

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Welcome

Rev. Dr. Blythe D. Kieffer

Opening Music

Joseph, Dearest, Joseph Mine

14<sup>th</sup> Century German Carol

**\* Call to Worship and  
Lighting of the Christ Candle**

Ned Moore

Leader: We hear the sounds of angels singing

**People: while we watch our sheep at night.**

Leader: We've come to see the child in the manger.

**People: To us is born a Savior, who is Christ the Lord!**

Leader: We light this candle as a symbol of the light Jesus brings to our lives. On this night we celebrate the good news the angels brought to us in song:

**All: Our Savior is born! Amen.**

**\*Hymn 121**

O Little Town of Bethlehem

*St. Louis*

Scripture Reading

Luke 2:1-7

Sam Batterman

Carol

Dance and Sing

Israeli Folk Tune

*Members of Westminster Choristers*

The Rhyme Bible

The Special Baby

Juliet Boutelle

Congregational Carol

Silent night, holy night!  
All is calm, all is bright  
'round yon virgin mother and child!  
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,  
sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night!  
Son of God, love's pure light  
radiant beams from thy holy face,  
with the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord at thy birth. Jesus, Lord at thy birth.

<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Luke 2:8-16	Abigail Eldridge
<b>Carol</b>	Jesus, What a Wonderful Child	<i>African American Carol</i> <i>Members of Westminster Choristers and Children's Choir</i>
<b>The Rhyme Bible</b>	The Shepherds	James Maeda
<b>Congregational Carol</b>	<p>Angels we have heard on high,  sweetly singing o'er the plains,  and the mountains in reply  echoing their joyous strains.  Gloria in excelsis Deo!  Gloria in excelsis Deo!</p> <p>Come to Bethlehem and see  him whose birth the angels sing;  come, adore on bended knee  Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.  Gloria in excelsis Deo!  Gloria in excelsis Deo!</p>	
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Matthew 2:1-2, 9b-11	Carter Magalis
<b>*Hymn 133</b>	O Come, All Ye Faithful	<i>Adeste Fideles</i>
<b>The Rhyme Bible</b>	The Wise Men	Macklin Metzger
<b>Congregational Carol</b>	<p>We three kings of Orient are;  bearing gifts we traverse afar,  field and fountain, moor and mountain,  following yonder star.  O star of wonder, star of night,  star with royal beauty bright,  westward leading, still proceeding,  guide us to thy perfect light!</p> <p>Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  gold I bring to crown him again,  King forever, ceasing never over us all to reign.  O star of wonder, star of night,  star with royal beauty bright,  westward leading, still proceeding,  guide us to thy perfect light!</p>	

## The Presentation of Our Gifts

<b>Offering</b>	On This Day Earth Shall Ring	16 <sup>th</sup> Century Carol
<b>*Offertory Response</b>	Doxology	Hymnal, 606
<b>*Prayer of Dedication</b>	Holy child of Bethlehem, by starlight and songs of angels we first saw your face. Help us to shine with the brightness of your truth, and through our offerings share the warmth of your great love, so that all may believe, rejoice, and give thanks, for you are the light of the world. Amen.	
<b>*Hymn 134</b>	Joy to the World	<i>Antioch</i>
<b>*Charge and Benediction</b>		Rev. Christian K. Choi
<b>Closing Music</b>	Jesus, What a Wonderful Child	African American Carol
	* Stand, as you are able.	

### Participants in the Service

The Reverend Dr. Blythe D. Kieffer, Pastor  
The Reverend Christian K. Choi, Associate Pastor  
Karen H. Sherrick, Director for Children's Ministries  
Dale Thomas Rogers, Director of Music and the Arts

### Participating Confirmands

Sam Batterman, Juliet Boutelle, Abigail Eldridge, Carter Magalis,  
James Maeda, Macklin Metzger, Ned Moore

### Tableau Actors from Sunday School and Senior High

Lucy Bassett, Kate Bryans, Caroline Bryans, Brooke Boutelle, Diana Choi, Zachariah Choi, August Ekstedt, Roscoe Ekstedt, Theodore Ekstedt, Lilly Hill, Brice Knoedler, Camille Knoedler, Sam Magalis, Daisy McClendon, Hazel McClendon, Amelia Moore, Charlotte Moore, Walter Morthland, Lily Swanson, Evangeline Volle, Mae Volle & more...

**The Holy Family:** Rachael and Christopher Hickman and their daughter Madelynn

**Vocalists:** Members of Westminster Choristers and Children's Choir

**Ushers:** Sarah Eldridge, Mary King, Julie McDonough, Pat Moore