

Final Blessing

Pastor Julie Wilson

Closing Carol

#246 “Joy to the World (reprise)”

Red Hymnal
Sue Poullette, Organ

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King; let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing, (and heaven and nature sing,
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and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

Closing Music

Sue Poullette, Organ

“Song of Joy”
(*Christopher Boodle*)
“Joy to the World”
(*Settings by David Cherwien, Fred Bock*)

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Upcoming Sermon Series

This January our sermon series will focus on joy and peace in relationships. It promises to be both fun and deeply meaningful as we explore the joy and challenge of being peacemakers. This series will emphasize how God calls us to get along with others, spread joy, and build peaceful relationships.

About Bethany

Keep in Touch

Church Office Hours: Weekdays, 8 am to 2:30 pm
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Love and Laughter—December 29th

Sunday morning worship at 10:00 am —
This all-ages service of lessons and laughter interweaves joy and playfulness with scripture readings as we celebrate the holy joy of this season. This service will invite worshipers to connect, sing, laugh, and relish in the angel's promise that Christ brings joy to the world.

Puzzle Tournament

Save the date: Sunday, February 2, 1:30 - 3:30 pm. Mark your calendars for Bethany's first jigsaw puzzle competition! Teams of four will race to see who can finish a 500-piece puzzle the fastest. If speed puzzling is not your jam, you will enjoy the casual puzzling tables and can drop off or pick up gently-used puzzles at the Swap Table. Light refreshments and door prizes will round out the event. Registration details coming soon!

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Tuesday, December 24, 2024
7:00 pm



Welcome

We are honored you chose to worship with us today.
To learn more about the life of the church, visit our website: BethanyMadison.org

Bethany's Vision for the World

Every person feels, knows, and shares God's love.

Gathering Music

Sue Poullette, Organist

“On Christmas Night All Christians Sing”
(*Traditional English carol, arr. David Paxton, Raymond Harris*)
“Shepherd's Noel”
(*English carol, arr. J. Wayne Kerr*)
“Angels and Shepherds”
(*Czechoslovakian carol, arr. Patricia Harris*)
“He Is Born”
(*French carol, arr. Robert J. Powell*)
“It Came Upon a Midnight Clear”
(*arr. David Cherwien*)
“Slavonic Dance”
Traditional

Micah Lopez, Guitar

Welcome!

Pastor Julie

We believe all people are recipients of God's love and grace, and that God intends the church to be a community that embodies love, grace, and justice for all people. We celebrate God's gift of diversity and value the wholeness made possible in community equally shared and shepherded by all. We welcome and affirm people of every gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation, who are also of every age, race, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, level of education, family structure, and of every economic, immigration, marital, social status, and so much more. Everyone is welcome!

Call to Worship *

Leader: In those days,
in the beginning,
Joseph and Mary traveled to Bethlehem.
He was to be registered,
and she was expecting a child.
The time came for Mary to give birth,
so she delivered her child,
wrapped him in bands of cloth
and laid him in a manger.

**People: And the angels sang,
“Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth, peace to all whom God favors.”**

Leader: Let us worship our with-us God.

People: Let us sing songs of praise!

Pastor Brad Mather

Special Music

“Christmas Lullaby”
By Jason Robert Brown

*Erin McConnell, Soloist
Evan Lange, Piano*

Message

“Love Knows Your Name”

Pastor Julie Wilson

Carol

#246 “Joy to the World”
(All Children Join with Bells)

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Offering

Tonight’s offering will go to the support of the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) Disaster Response fund. All donations made to this fund go directly to disaster relief.

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Carol

#234 “O Come, All Ye Faithful” (v 1-4)

Red Hymnal
Sue Poullette, Organ

Lighting the Advent Wreath & Children’s Message *Pastor Julie Wilson & Lisa Weaver*
(Children are invited to come forward)

Special Music

“On Christmas Night”
By MD Ridge & Steven Ottományi

*Chancel Choir
Evan Lange, Piano
Sasha Payne, Violin*

Christmas Poem *

Pastor Julie Wilson

Scripture (Isaiah 9:2-7) CEB

Pastor Brad Mather

Carol

#240 “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

Red Hymnal
Sue Poullette, Organ

Scripture Reading

Luke 2:1-7 (CEB)
Luke 2:8-14 (CEB)
Luke 2:15-20 (CEB)

*Tom Crombie
Micah Lopez
Tom Crombie*

Anthem

“Twas in the Moon of Wintertime”
(arr. Jason Krug)

*Bethany Carillons
Nick Bonaccio, Director*

Prayer

Pastor Brad Mather

Lighting of Candles

#239 “Silent Night”
Sue Poullette, Organ; Evan Lange, Piano; Sasha Payne, Violin

*The Pastor will give light to the ushers who will pass the light to the congregation.
Please keep lighted candles upright.*

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, shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!

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.

Silent night, holy night, wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!