



*Joy Revealed*  
**CHRISTMAS  
EVE**

*Avon Lake Presbyterian Church*

**December 24, 2024**

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** (see insert)

**WELCOME**

**INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

Leader: On this holiest of nights

**People: we come, joining the shepherds who are stunned by wonder.**

Leader: On this most silent night,

**People: we come, our hopes and dreams joining those of Mary and Joseph.**

Leader: On this night of carols and candlelight,

**People: we come, our glad songs joining with the choirs of angels over us.**

**HYMN\*** #133 *O Come, All Ye Faithful* (ADESTE FIDELES), verses 1,3,4

**ADVENT** #145 *What Child is This* (GREENSLEEVES), verses 1, 3

**MUSIC MONDAY** *Happy Birthday, Jesus* Carol Cymbala

**HYMN\*** #119 *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing* (MENDELSSOHN), verses 1,

**SCRIPTURE** 2 [John 1:1-9](#)

**SERMON** Let the Light Shine

**ANTHEM** *Let the Stable Still Astonish* Dan Forrest

**TIME OF PRAYER**

**CANDLELIGHT CEREMONY**

**HYMN\*** #122 *Silent Night, Holy Night!* (STILLE NACHT), verses 1,3

**BENEDICTION**

Leader: Each week we remind ourselves

**People: to go out into the world. Return no one evil for evil, strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak, and honor every person. Every person. And rejoice in the Lord always.**

Leader: And now may the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with each of you, all your loved ones, and all your concerns, now and forever. Amen.

**POSTLUDE** *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing* Felix Mendelssohn  
Arr. Gary Lanier

## **THIS WEEK**

**December 25-January 3**

### **WEDNESDAY – MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

All Day Church Office Closed

### **THURSDAY**

All Day Church Office Closed

~~6:30 pm~~ Yoga Cancelled

### **FRIDAY**

All Day Church Office Closed

8:30 am Walking Group

### **SATURDAY**

10 am Order of St. Luke

### **SUNDAY**

9 am Calling All Angels

10 am Lessons in Carols Worship

11:45 am Calling All Angels

6 pm Youth Revival

### **MONDAY**

All Day Church Office Closed

8:30 am Walking Group

### **TUESDAY**

All Day Church Office Closed

### **WEDNESDAY – HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

All Day Church Office Closed

### **THURSDAY**

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### **FRIDAY**

8:30 am Walking Group

## **NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST**

- Charlie Swartz, whose circumstances are revealing some additional challenges for their family
- Jim Janis passed away December 16; plans are being made for a Celebration of Life in January
- Shannon Brunner's grandmother, Carole Sfiligoj, passed away December 16
- Carol Nussle's sister, Valarie Vine, passed away December 17
- Susan Richardson's mother is in hospital

## **UPCOMING DATES**

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| 1/6  | Annual Reports Due             |
| 1/26 | Annual Meeting & Chili Cookoff |
| 2/23 | Bowling with Deacons           |

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Worship on December 29 will be a Lessons in Carols service led by Music Director Rick Fortney.
- If you requested giving envelopes for 2025, they are available in the church office.
- Articles for Saints Alive will be due December 31 rather than December 22
- The church office will be closed December 25-27, and December 30-January 1.
- The annual Congregational Meeting will be January 26. All Committees must have reports submitted to the church office by January 6.

***If you would like to speak to any member of the ALPC staff or need counsel with our pastor, Kristian, please contact the church office.***

Regular Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9 am – 4 pm, Friday 9 am –

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