

Order of Worship (Con't.)

MUSICAL MEDITATION "O Holy Night" by Adolphe Adam Jessica Vanover, soloist

*HYMN "Silent Night, Holy Night" UHM 239

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!

*CHRISTMAS BLESSING

Pastor Kelly McClendon

*POSTLUDE

Bill Smith, organ



A GIFT IN CHRIST'S NAME FOR HIS BIRTHDAY
(SPECIAL CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR IMMANUEL FOOD PANTRY)

This year our Christmas offering will go to support our Immanuel Food Pantry (Totes of Love). Specifically, any undesignated funds (e.g. not your tithe or pledge) will help fund this mission.

As you may know, during this pandemic, our Food Pantry has been meeting the needs of thousands of people in Northern Kentucky each month. We have been blessed with support from many ministry partners, both in the private and public sectors, and we are grateful for that provision. However, due to the great ongoing needs, and the large numbers of people being served, we will have additional expenses we need to cover going forward. We invite you to share love with these very special people in our community by giving to help this ministry.

Thank you for giving to Christ in this way to celebrate His birthday!



PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION
SONSHINE & KID'S DAY OUT PRESCHOOLS 2021/2022



Registration for our church family and current students begins
January 11, 2021. Open enrollment for the public begins January 19, 2021.



PLEASE HELP OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN THE HOLY LAND!

Due to increase in Covid-19 cases in our community, and our renewed emphasis on online worship, we have cancelled the scheduled visit from our Friends from Bethlehem. However, **you can still help to make a difference by purchasing a Christmas gift from Bethlehem online.** The Christians of the Holy Land are especially affected by the pandemic and its negative implications on tourism. Over 100,000 Christians lost their only source of income and are struggling to get daily bread, with no help from any governments where they live. Many Christian families are starving and losing hope.

Here's how you can help! Please visit their website at www.holylandcsc.com to learn about their ministry. then, purchase your Christmas gifts online here: <https://www.holylandcsc.com/products/>. These items will also make nice wedding, baptism and Easter gifts. The beautiful olive-wood carvings are hand-carved by the Christians of Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Each piece you buy will help a Christian family afford daily bread, especially during these challenging times. The Holy Land is the birthplace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and should stay Christian forever. Your purchase this Christmas will help us achieve that together.

Welcome


Welcome to Immanuel - We're glad you're here! We hope you will be blessed by your visit today.

Please take a moment to fill out a **Connect Card** found at the entrance to our worship spaces (or get from an usher). It's the best way to get information about what's going on here or to share your prayer concerns.

Videos and livestreams of all Lakeside Campus worship services are available on our website:

<https://immanuelumc.org/live-stream>

Sermon manuscripts or CDs are available at office@immanuelumc.org or 859-341-5330.

 **Hearing Assistance** devices are available in the Sanctuary - please ask an usher.

Immanuel Services & Campuses

2020 WINTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Lakeside Park Campus

2551 Dixie Highway, Lakeside Park, KY 41017

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E-MAIL: office@immanuelumc.org

Service		Preacher Today
8:30 am	Sanctuary	Kelly McClendon
10:00 am	Wesley Hall (Contemporary)	Kelly McClendon
11:00 am	Sanctuary	Kelly McClendon

Boone Campus - 1440 Boone Aire Road, Florence, KY

Service		Preacher Today
11:00 am	Sanctuary (Contemporary)	Chad Brandt

Sunday Night Live (Urban Outreach Ministry)

First Christian Church (14 W 5th St, Covington)

2:00 pm	Bible Study
3:30 pm	Sunday Night Live Dinner

Immanuel Food Pantry (Outreach Ministry)

Immanuel Boone Campus (1440 Boone Aire Rd, Florence)

- Every Wednesday from 4:30 to 5:45 pm
- Every Second Saturday 9:00 am to Noon

Pastoral and Ministry Staff

Senior Pastor	Dr. Kelly McClendon
Assistant Pastor (Discipleship)	Rev. Drew Oakley
Assistant Pastor (Boone Campus, IBC)	Rev. Chad Brandt
Minister of Music/Exec. Dir., ISM	Matthew Vanover
Youth Minister	Jacob Booher
Director of Children and Women	Kelly Potter
Administrator (Finances & Facilities)	Mitch Nimmo
Associate Children's Minister	Kelly Rodamer (IBC)



Welcome to Christmas Eve



"Unto us a Child is Born"

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

GUIDE FOR WORSHIP

December 24, 2020

7:00 and 9:00 PM Services

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SANCTUARY ORDER OF WORSHIP
December 24, 2020
7:00 and 9:00 PM

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Bill Smith, organ

WELCOME

Rev. Drew Oakley

CALL TO WORSHIP

(7:00 pm) *"Still, Still, Still"* arr. by Anna Laura Paige

Handbell Ensembles

(9:00 pm) *"Still, Still, Still"* (A Christmas Berceuse) arr. by Joseph M. Martin

Matthew Vanover, piano

*OPENING HYMN *"Angels We Have Heard on High"* UMH 238

Angels we have heard on high sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains.

(Refrain) Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be which inspire your heavenly song? *(Refrain)*

Come to Bethlehem and see Christ whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee, Christ the Lord, the newborn King. *(Refrain)*

Interlude

See him in a manger laid, whom the choirs of angels praise;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, while our hearts in love we raise. *(Refrain)*

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

(7:00 pm)

Rev. Jim Fant

(9:00 pm)

The Vanover Family

VOLUNTARY *"O Little Town of Bethlehem"* arr. Dan Forrest

Members of Chancel Choir
Holly Thomasson, clarinet

OFFERTORY PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYER *"In the Bleak Midwinter"* UHM 221 (vs. 1, 3 & 4)

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone; snow had fallen,
Snow on snow, snow on snow, in the bleak mid-winter, long ago.

Angels and archangels may have gathered there,
Cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;
But his mother only, in her maiden bliss, worshipped the beloved with a kiss.

What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd,
I would bring a lamb; if I were a Wise Man, I would do my part;
Yet what I can I give him: give my heart.

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE *"Sweet, Little Jesus Boy"* arr. Fettke

Lindsay Barrix and Travis Barrix, duet

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

"Unto us a Child is Born"

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Dr. Kelly McClendon

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

People: **Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

All pray in silent confession.

People: **If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Thanks be to God.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: ... and so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

People: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Pastor: Truly holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ ... as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People: **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again**

Pastor ... through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours almighty Father now and for ever.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. *(Matthew 6:9-13)*
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION MUSIC

Matthew Vanover, piano

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