

Our Church Statement

We seek to know God. We are grounded in unconditional love. We affirm all persons.

We learn from one another as we follow the teachings of Jesus Christ, an outsider who tore down dividing walls and calls us to unity. We are progressive, relevant, and committed to seeking peace and building hope through worship, service, social justice, and education.

No matter where you are on your faith journey, or how you worship, we welcome you to help us build our community. This includes all races and ethnicities, sexual orientations, gender identities, ages and stages of life, abilities and disabilities, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

Our Journey Together

Know God.

Love Unconditionally.

Affirm All.



Spotlight on Green Wood

An offering of gifts is taken the first Saturday of the month when we celebrate communion.

Upcoming Green Wood Worship:

Dec. 28 - Carol-sing - Music by Katie Geddes

Jan. 4 - EPIPHANY - Rev. Nancy Lynn preaching

Jan. 11 - Rev. Jenaba Waggy preaching

Jan. 18 - Holy Troublemakers and Unconventional Saints Series begins - Rev. Nancy Lynn preaching

Christmas Eve 2024

Green Wood
5:00 pm service



First United Methodist Church of Ann Arbor

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Green Wood Christmas

December 24, 2024 • 5:00 p.m. First United Methodist Church of Ann Arbor

Prelude

***Opening Carol** O Come, All Ye Faithful
Lyrics to this and other carols are included in the song sheet

***Call to Worship**
Liturgy by Rev. Sarah Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org

There is room for you here. If you're weary and worn, or hopeful and patient.
If you're tired and lost, or wrapped up in hope.
If you're new to this place, or have been here before.
Come in, come in. There is room for you here.
The angels are singing,
"Be not afraid."
The angels are singing,
"Good news and great joy!"
So come in, come in!
There is room for us here.

Words of WelcomeRev. Nancy Lynn

Special Music Who Would Imagine a King.....David Vaughn

The Christmas Story

The Announcement Luke 1:26-35

Carol O Little Town of Bethlehem

The Birth Luke 2:1-7

Carol What Child Is This

The Angels' Good News Luke 2:8-14

Carol Angels We Have Heard On High



**Please rise in spirit or in body*

The Shepherds' Visit Luke 2:15-20

Carol The First Noel

Christmas Message.....Rev. Nancy S. Lynn

Giving Our Gifts

Special Music O Holy Night.....David Vaughn

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Christmas Prayer

Passing of the Light

One of the ancient traditions of the church is the passing of the flame of Christmas, the symbol of Christ, the Light of the World. During the special music we will share the light from the Christ Candle. As the flame is passed, please keep the lit candle upright and light the new candle from its flame.

***Candlelight Carol** Silent Night, Holy Night

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**

We wish you a very Merry Christmas!