Your Christmas offering may be dropped off in one of the offering boxes as you leave the sanctuary immediately following this service. Your Christmas offering will help three ministries at Agape Fund (helping needy people among our community,) FUM Pre-School, and Haven of Hope (homeless shelter)

Family Communion is available in Krout from 5:45—6:45pm

Hot chocolate, coffee & cookies in kitchenette off Krout.

## **Family Photo!**

Take a minute and head to the Scheidt classroom for a photo.

After you take your picture #FirstUMC on Facebook or

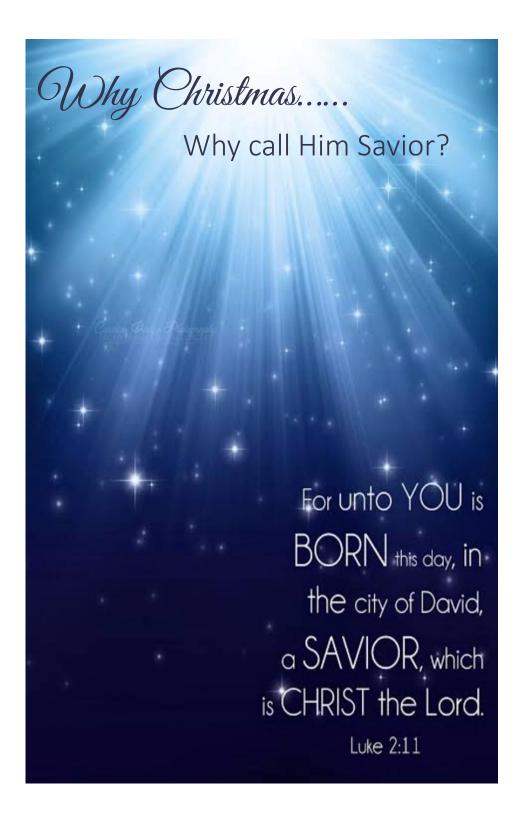
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The church office will be closed Monday, December 27 & Friday, December 31.

If you have a poinsettia, you may pick it up after the 10pm service or Sunday, December 26.







Opening: O Come, O Come Emmanuel (Instrumental)

Ethan Best, Jeremy Laukhuf & Dru Johnson

Welcome & invitation to worship

Jeremy Laukhuf

Carols: Silent Night

Addie Breese, piano

Joy to the World

Leah and Kayla Krites, piano

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Noah and Judy Krites, piano

Southland Church Christmas Video

**Congregational Carol Sing** 

The First Noel

Vs. 1, 2, 4

Lighting the Christ Candle Dillion & Renee Staas Family

Leader: Advent is a time to celebrate.

People: Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

Leader: We celebrate that joy that is in Christ Jesus.

People: Joy to the word, the Lord is come!

Leader: We proclaim a victory that is stronger than any defeat.

People: Joy to the word, the Lord is come!

Leader: We proclaim a peace that is stronger than any conflict.

People: Joy to the word, the Lord is come!

Leader: We proclaim a freedom that is stronger than any bondage.

People: Joy to the word, the Lord is come!

Reader: Tonight we light all of the candles and as we light the last candle - the Christ Candle - we are reminded that we are to celebrate the message of Christmas by proclaiming what Christ has done, and sharing it with others. As the light from each candle fills this room, we celebrate the coming of Jesus, the Light of the World.

All: God in heaven, we thank you for guiding us through hour Advent journey. Through waiting, watching, preparing, and praising, we are now ready to celebrate. Hel us receive the glory of Christmas as we rejoice in the fact that you have come to us through the gift of Christ, our Savior and Redeemer. Amen.

Jesus, the Light of the World 2x

Scripture reading Luke 2:1-12 Lisa Johnson

Congregational Carol O Little Town of Bethlehem

Scripture reading Luke 2:13-18 Brooklyn Laukhuf

Congregational Carol Angels We Have Heard on High

Scripture reading Luke 2:19-20 Lillie Best

Congregational Carol Away in a Manger

Christmas Eve Meditation Why Call Him Savior? Pastor Chris

O Holy Night Michaella Johnson Gloria Wendel, piano

Prayer

Silent Night Michaella Johnson, Ethan Best, Dru Johnson, Jeremy Laukhuf

Congregation joins in singing and lights candles

Blessing

Good Night and a Blessed Christmas to all!