

Family Christmas Eve Service

DECEMBER 24, 2022 @ 4:00 PM

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Sharon Kichline

Advent Candle Lighting

The Vader Family
Amanda, Justin, Hakon, Sarah, and Vivienne

After the White Christ Candle is lit...

All: The birthday boy is here!

Call to Worship

Vivienne Vader

Leader: Good news! Good news!

People: **Our hopes and fears and all of years have met in this place tonight.**

Leader: God is sending God's Son to us!

People: **Sing for joy! The Christ Child comes!**

Hymn Sing

Mountain Service Band

Please select your favorite Christmas songs from the list provided.

Opening Prayer

Edith Leslie

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.
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace of Christ**

You are invited to wave to your neighbors!

***Scripture Readings**

Luke 2: 1-20

Sarah Vader & Caitlyn Kremer

Children's Story

Shae Parsons (Director Children's Ministries)

Christmas Message

Pastor Sharon

Sharing the Lord's Supper

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. You will have a choice between receiving a piece of bread to dip into the cup of grape juice, or a small pre-prepared Communion packet. Come as the ushers guide you, receive your Holy Communion, and pray at the Communion railing or return back to your seat.

***Closing Hymn**

"Silent Night, Holy Night"

**UMH 239
The Mountain Service Band**

We will pass the light of Christ throughout the congregation during the singing of this hymn. Children with tea lights may turn them on now.

Shared Christmas Benediction

Pastor Sharon

Pastor: The Baby Jesus is HERE!
People: **The Baby Jesus is HERE!**
Pastor: Go in peace, rejoicing in the good news.
All: **We go in peace, our hearts full! Amen!**

Sending Forth

Thank you for joining us for our Christmas Eve Worship!

We invite you to join us for our casual Café Christmas Worship Service tomorrow at 10:30 am in Fellowship Hall.

Our regular Worship Services are on Thursdays at 7:30 pm and Sundays at 10:30 am.

Merry Christmas!

Many Thanks to...

The children and youth of Webster United Methodist, Shaeleigh Parsons (Director of Children's Ministries), Pastor Paige Foster (Director of Youth Ministries), Assistant Pastor Joshua Krakos, and the members of The Mountain Service Band!