

# CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

December 24, 2021

7:00 pm

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Numbers 6:24-26

**The Lord bless you / and keep you; /  
Make His face shine upon you / and be gracious to you; /  
The Lord turn His / face toward you / and give you peace. (x2)  
Amen.**

## WELCOME / GREETINGS

Joyce Brady, English Language Ministry Lay Leader

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE [Faith]

Advent Family: The Avea'i Family

## GATHERING CAROL

UMH 211 (vs. 1)

**O Come, O Come, Emmanuel, / and ransom captive Israel, /  
that mourns in lonely exile here / until the Son of God appear. /  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel / shall come to thee, O Israel.**

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Teaupā

Leader: All through this season of Advent, we have  
encountered God of Peace, Hope, Love, and Joy.

**People: Tonight, we will declare our faith in the God of  
Peace, Hope, Love, and Joy.**

Leader: Emmanuel God, we come to You.

**People: Jesus born to us tonight, we declare You as our  
Messiah!**

## CAROL "It Came upon the Midnight Clear" UMH 218 (vs. 1)

**1. It came upon the midnight clear, / that glorious song of  
old, / from angels bending near the earth, / to touch  
their harps of gold: / "Peace on the earth, good will to  
all, / from heaven's all gracious King." / The world in  
solemn stillness lay, / to hear the angels sing.**

## FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:1-5

Raka Barrett

An asterisk (\*) indicates a place for you to stand as you are able.

**Bold Print indicates a place for you to sing or speak.**

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## CAROL

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

UMH 234

[English]

**O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.  
Come and behold him, born the King of angels;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.**

[Samoan]

**Ou-tou fa'a-ma-o-ni, O mai fi-a-fi-a.  
O mai, ia o mai ia I Pe-te-le-'e-ma.  
O mai ma va-'ai Le tu-pu ua fa-nau mai.  
O mai ta-tou vi-vi-'I; O mai ta-tou vi-vi-'I;  
O mai ta-tou vi-'ia Ie-su, le A-li'i.**

[Tongan]

**Mou ha-'u kā-i-nga, Ke tau fi-e-fi-a,  
Kuo 'a-lo-'I mai 'I Pē-te-li-he-má.  
Ha'u 'o ma-ma-ta, He Tu-'I 'oe ma-a-má.  
Mou o-mi ke tau lo-tu, Mou o-mi ke tau lo-tu,  
Mou o-mi ke tau hū ki he 'E-i-kí.**

[English]

**Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;  
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.**

## \*CHRISTMAS AFFIRMATION

Joyce Brady

**We believe in God, the creator and giver of life, who  
brought all creation to birth, who mothers us and fathers  
us, protecting, nurturing, and cherishing us.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ: God born among us as a  
fragile baby, embodying both love and the need for love,  
and calling us to rest in God as trustingly as a tiny child.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, breathed into us at our  
birth, always drawing us on to be born again,  
encouraging, exhorting, comforting, nourishing our  
growth and inspiring our living.**

**And we believe that each new child is a glimpse of the  
face of God, a sign of the life to come, and a call to live in  
peace and celebrate living together. Glory to God in the  
highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Amen.**

## SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:6-7

Lile Talasinga

## CAROL

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

UMH 229

- 1. Infant holy, infant lowly, / for his bed a cattle stall; /  
oxen lowing, little knowing, / Christ the babe is Lord of  
all. / Swift are winging angels singing, / noels ringing,  
tidings bringing: / Christ the babe is Lord of all.**
- 2. Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping / vigil till the  
morning new / saw the glory, heard the story, / tidings of  
a gospel true. / Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, /  
praises voicing, greet the morrow: / Christ the babe was  
born for you.**

## THIRD SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:8-15

Finau Mateaki

## CAROL "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" UMH 240 (vs. 1)

- 1. Hark! the herald angels sing, / "Glory to the newborn  
King; / peace on earth, and mercy mild, / God and  
sinners reconciled!" / Joyful, all ye nations rise, / join  
the triumph of the skies; / with th' angelic host  
proclaim, / "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" / Hark! the  
herald angels sing, / "Glory to the newborn King!"**

## PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Teaupā

**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, the power, and the glory  
forever. Amen.**

## FOURTH SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:16-18

Nari Molimau

## SHARING OUR GIFTS

Rev. Dr. Ahn

Offering Invitation

The Offertory Carol

"Away in a Manger"

UMH 217

- 1. Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, / the little Lord  
Jesus laid down his sweet head. / The stars in the sky  
looked down where he lay, / the little Lord Jesus, asleep  
on the hay.**

## NEWS & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

2. The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, / but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes; / I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky / and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

3. Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay / close by me forever, and love me, I pray; / bless all the dear children in thy tender care, / and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

Doxology UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Offertory Prayer

SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST Rev. Dr. Ahn

Carol “Silent Night, Holy Night” UMH 239

*When passing the “Light,” keep the candle with the flame upright & put the unlit candle to the flame.*

*Hold your lighted candle upright as you share the light with others and sing.*

[English] 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.

[Samoan] Po filemu, po paia / Filemu, susulu / Na le iloa ai e I latou / A o Iosefa ma le Taupou / Moe filemu ia oe / Moe filemu ia oe

[Tongan] Po malu ko sii po / Hifo ai he alo / Mele mo siosifa naa na mata / Fanau tama a tangata / Ko siene tofofa / Ko siene tofofa

[English] 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.

\*CHRISTMAS BLESSING

Rev. Dr. Ahn

\*POSTLUDE

“Care-O-Ling” Service of Affirmation (Sunday, 12/26): Kona UMC closes its year with a “Care-O-Ling” Service of Affirmation emphasizing caring and affirming our faith.

Lay Servant Advanced Class on Worship (4-Mondays, starting 1/10 @ 4:30pm via Zoom): Please contact Rev. Dr. Lucy Jones if you want to take the class.

Pre-Valentine’s Day Benefit Concert 2022: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, once again this Benefit Concert raising scholarship funds will not be held in 2022. However, Kona UMC still commits to support our graduating high school seniors who are members of Kona UMC, seeking higher education.

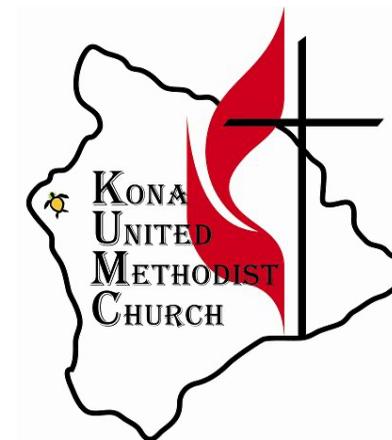
If any eligible youth wants to apply for the scholarship, please obtain the scholarship application form from the church office. The application must be received in the church office no later than January 23, 2022.

Applications will not be accepted past this deadline. For those of you who would like to support our graduating high school seniors, you still can give your scholarship donations by making a check payable to “KUMC” with a memo indicating “Scholarship Fund” and mail it to the Church Office or donate online at KonaUMC.com with a memo indicating “Scholarship Fund.” Please contact Neo Mateaki, Gloria Juan, Joyce Brady, or Pastor Sunny if you have any questions.

Online Giving: Kona UMC offers several online giving options. You may visit our church website (konaumc.com) and click the giving icon on the home page OR contact Bill Jaeger (bjaegerhawaii@gmail.com) to set up online giving or simply scan the image you see here using your phone’s Quick Response (QR) Code Reader! We sincerely thank you!



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*Christmas Eve Candlelight Service  
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*The Kona United Methodist Church welcomes ALL people with no judgments of your history or place in life.*

*The Mission of the United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.*

*The Vision of Kona United Methodist Church is growing disciples through worship, outreach, and living the gospel.*