

The Seventh Lesson

THE SHEPHERDS’ JOURNEY

*Candlelight Christmas Canon*

Annalise Sears, soloist

Christian Joiner

arr. Mary McDonald

*The beloved Christmas carol “Silent Night” is commemorating its 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. **Stille Nacht, Heilige Nacht** was composed in 1818 by Franz Gruber to lyrics written by Joseph Mohr. It was first sung at the St. Nikola Church in the small Austrian village of Obendorf. For two centuries the song has given peace and hope and today is sung in over 300 languages and dialects around the world.*

The Eighth Lesson

THE WISE MEN ARE LED BY THE STAR

*Behold That Star with O Holy Night*

Ricky Goodwyn, Jr., soloist

John Liskey, Jr.

arr. David Huntsinger

*Behold that star! It is the star of Bethlehem.  
Fall on your knees, O hear the angel voices! O night divine...*

The Ninth Lesson

THE MYSTERY OF THE INCARNATION

*The Sussex Carol*

Rev. Don Shull

arr. Elaine Hagenberg

*On Christmas night all Christians sing, to hear the news the angels bring:  
News of great joy, news of great mirth, news of our merciful King’s birth.  
All out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night;  
“Glory to God in highest heaven, now and forevermore,” Amen!*

\*Closing Prayer

\*Closing Hymn

*Joy to the World*

No. 246, UMH

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

**Participants**

Rev. Adam Blagg, Senior Pastor  
Sandra E. Schaefer, Director of Music Ministries

**Sanctuary Choir & Instrumentalists**

**Soprano**  
Kira Blagg  
Linda Conrad  
Tara Eckenroad  
\*Mary Galvin  
Deborah Kamara  
Jo Ann Liskey  
Wilma Mitchell  
Betty Painter  
\*Annalise Sears  
Maryann Wolfe

**Alto**  
Christy Blagg  
Jane Lough  
Sarah Macomber  
\*Cecelia McKinley  
Judy Richardson

**Tenor**  
\*Ammad Akbari  
\*Aidan Everett  
Mary Ely Griffith  
John Nye

**Bass**  
Adam Blagg  
\*Joel Clemens  
\*Ricky Goodwyn, Jr.  
Sean Macomber  
Carter Ritchie  
Daniel Warren

**Instrumentalists**  
Pedro Aponte, flute  
Ed Gant, cello  
Maria Lorcas, violin  
Sarah Macomber, clarinet  
David Helms, percussion

*\*Denotes College Chorale*



# Lessons & Carols

**Otterbein United Methodist Church**

***December 9, 2018  
10:30 am  
Second Sunday of Advent***



THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP		
<i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>		
<i>December 9, 2018</i>		
Welcome and Announcements		
Prelude	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i> Sean Macomber, euphonium	arr. Walker
*Call to Worship		
L: Rise, shine, for your light has come!		
<b>P: The light of dawn has called us to a new day.</b>		
L: Rise, shine, for your light has come!		
<b>P: The True Light that enlightens every man has come into the world, revealing that in God, all creation is one.</b>		
L: Rise, shine, for your light has come!		
<b>P: Jesus has challenged us to be the light of the world, shining holy love into the dark corners of confusion, fear, and despair.</b>		
L: Rise, shine, for your light has come!		
<b>P: Here we are, Lord. Illumine us, purify us and shine through us.</b>		
Lighting of the Advent Wreath		
*Hymn of Praise	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i> (stanzas 1, 2, 3, 6)	No. 234, UMH
The Bidding Prayer		Rev. Adam Blagg
The Lord’s Prayer		No. 895, UMH
Giving of our Tithes and Gifts		
Offertory	<i>Gesu Bambino</i> Mary Galvin, soprano, & Ammad Akbari, tenor	Pietro Yon
*Doxology (tune: <i>VENI EMMANUEL</i> )		
<b><i>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. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.</i></b>		
*Prayer of Dedication		

<u><i>A Service of Lessons and Carols</i></u>		
The First Lesson	THE FALL OF ADAM	Susan Pollard
	<i>A Father’s Love, A Perfect Rose</i>	arr. Joseph Martin
	Joel Clemens, baritone soloist; Aidan Everett, tenor solist	
	<i>Of the Father’s love begotten ere the world began to be.</i>	
	<i>He is Alpha and Omega, He the source, the ending, He.</i>	
	<i>And the Rose, the world’s Redeemer, spread the fragrance of God’s grace, evermore and evermore...</i>	
The Second Lesson	THE BENEDICTUS—LUKE 1:68-79	Rev. Larry Clark
	<i>Blessed Is the Lord (Benedictus)</i>	Dan Forrest
	<i>The <b>Benedictus</b> was the hymn of praise recited by Zechariah at the birth of his son, John the Baptist.</i>	
	<i>Benedictus, blessed is our Lord. Benedictus, welcome His Incarnate Word.</i>	
	<i>Christ brings light to sin’s dark night; Our Dayspring Jesus from on high,</i>	
	<i>Saints and angels sing God’s praise. All the earth and heav’ns reply: Benedictus.</i>	
The Third Lesson	THE BIRTH OF CHRIST FORETOLD	Kaylee Hiner
	<i>Pavane for Silent Night</i>	arr. Patrick Liebergen
	Joel Clemens, baritone soloist	
	<i>On a silent starry night, Christus natus est. All is calm and all is bright,</i>	
	<i>Son of God and love’s pure light. Gloria in excelsis Deo!</i>	
The Fourth Lesson	THE PEACE OF CHRIST FORETOLD	Rev. Richard Worden
	<i>Sweet Little Jesus Boy</i>	arr. Molly Ijames
	The College Chorale with Cecelia McKinley, alto soloist	
	<i>Sweet little Jesus Boy, they made you be born in a manger.</i>	
	<i>Sweet little Holy Child, we didn’t know who You was.</i>	
	<i>Didn’t know You’d come to save us, Lord, to take our sins away.</i>	
	<i>Our eyes was blind, we couldn't’ see, we didn’t know who You was.</i>	
The Fifth Lesson	THE ANGEL GABRIEL APPEARS TO MARY	Rev. Faith Fowler
	<i>Christmas Lullaby</i>	John Rutter
	<i>Ave Maria, Ave Maria, hear the soft lullaby the angel hosts sing.</i>	
	<i>Ave Maria, Ave Maria, maiden and mother of Jesus our King</i>	
The Sixth Lesson	ST. LUKE TELLS OF THE BIRTH OF JESUS	Diana Lambert
	<i>Good Christian Men, Rejoice</i>	
	<i>He Is Born, The Holy Child</i>	
	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>	arr. Mark Hayes
	(from <i>International Carol Suites</i> )	

## This Week's Opportunities

### Sunday, December 9

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Choral Program—*Lessons & Carols*  
11:30 am Family Christmas Brunch

### Monday, December 10

4:30 pm Soup Kitchen  
5:00 pm Clothes Closet

### Tuesday, December 11

10:00 am Bible Study—Memorial Hall  
11:45 am UMW Christmas Luncheon at Jo Ann  
Liskey's (Van leaves OUMC at 11:15 am)  
6:00 pm Bible Study—Room 204  
7:10 pm Budget Reconciliation Meeting—Room 204

### Wednesday, December 12

5:30 pm Caring Hearts Christmas Dinner—O'Neil's  
6:00 pm Bells  
7:15 pm Choir

### Thursday, December 13

Noon JOY Group—Asbury UMC  
1-4 pm Dominoes

### Friday, December 14

### Saturday, December 15

5:30 pm Saturday Night Alive  
Rev. Faith Fowler

### Sunday, December 16

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship

## Otterbein in Prayer

Baby Colton  
Phyllis Albrite  
Tammy Brown  
Linda Byers  
Mildred Byrd  
Rev. & Mrs. Carson  
Donna Clatterbuck  
Allen Dellinger  
Lisa Ferenc  
Arnold Fishback  
Joann Gordon  
Judy Grandle  
Florence Green

Betty Griffith  
Doris Hanger  
Barbara Henry  
Silas Herndon  
John Hoffnagle  
Emily Joiner  
Dot Jones  
Steve Joseph  
Evelyn Keane  
Janet Liskey  
Judy Liskey  
Greta Marks  
Evelyn Myers

Gary Nesselrodt  
Margaret Pence  
Jack Ridder  
Anna Joseph Sheets  
Sylvia Shull  
Linda Stephens  
Jane Stover  
Richard Stroop  
Eric Stum  
Martha Taylor  
Charlie Tibbits  
Emily Tran  
Margaret Tysinger

Mckenzie Woods  
Anita Yount  
  
Families of Eugene Wenger  
& Steve Templeton

Please stop by  
either entrance  
and sign the card  
for the **TLC Person  
of the Week.**



### TLC Person of the Week:

Jane Stover  
1316 Woodland Park Circle  
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

Remember Jane this week with a note or a card.  
Let's show her Otterbein's "tender, loving care"!



## Welcome to Otterbein!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like a call from the Pastor? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No      Would you like to be added to our email list? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- **Otterbein Family Christmas Brunch** will be served **TODAY** in Memorial Hall following the Christmas Choral program. All donations will benefit the OUMC College Chorale Scholarship Fund. Please stay and enjoy the fellowship and food prepared by the Otterbein UMMen and others.
- **UMW Christmas Luncheon**—The UMW will meet **Tuesday, December 11**, at the home of Jo Ann Liskey at **11:45 am** for their Christmas Luncheon. The van will leave the church at 11:15 am.
- **Caring Hearts** will have their **Christmas Dinner** on **Wednesday, December 12**, at **5:30 pm** at **O'Neil's Grill**. All ladies are invited to join us!
- **Walk to the Manger at Camp Overlook**—Looking for a fun family night this Christmas? Come experience the “Walk to the Manger.” This annual live nativity, held at our own Camp Overlook, brings the Christmas story to life on **December 15**, from **6—8 pm**. You will be greeted by Roman soldiers, help shepherds find lost sheep, surprised by angels, and discover the most precious gift ever. Don't miss out on this opportunity to have a night experiencing the love of God. This experience is **FREE** and is Camp Overlook's gift to our community.
- **Longest Night Service**—A worship service for those struggling with loss and sadness during the season will be held **Tuesday, December 18**, at **7:00 pm** at **Trinity Presbyterian Church** (725 South High Street, Harrisonburg).
- **Christmas Caroling**—Our Congregational Care and Worship Ministry Teams are planning a church-wide Christmas Caroling to homebound members on **Sunday, December 23**. Come and join our group as we spread the cheer of the season through music. All ages and voices are welcome to join the fun—you will be a blessing AND you will be blessed! **Plan to meet at the church at 2:00 pm** to carpool together and we will return at approximately 5:00 pm. Please contact Sandy Schaefer if you have questions.
- **Advent Devotional Guides** are available in the breezeway and sanctuary entrances. Thanks to everyone who wrote devotions for our guide. Our Advent Mission Focus will be the Charterhouse School in Edinburg, which is sponsored of the United Methodist Family Services. If you would like to donate, please make your check payable to Otterbein and designate “UMFS-Charterhouse School” in the memo line. Thanks!
- **December Outreach Project**—The Outreach Ministry Team encourages everyone to clean out their closets, drawers, and shoe bins and donate your “unwearables” to those who cannot afford these items. We will collect your items in the bin in the breezeway and divide them between our own Clothes Closet, the District Clothes Closet, and the Shoes for Kenya project.
- **Congratulations**—**Violet Aviery Griffith** was born December 2 at 11:48 am, weighed 8 lbs., 6 oz., and was 19¼ inches long. Parents are Benjamin Griffith and Madison Lam, grandparents are Aaron & Jodi Griffith, and great-grandparents are BenRay and Audrey Griffith.
- **Congratulations**—**Wyatt Harry Kibler** was born November 27 at 3:32 am, weighed 7lbs., 13 oz., and was 18 inches long. Parents are Chrissy & Kenneth Kibler and grandmother is Daisy VanPelt.
- **Missing**—A **black coat**, size XL with zip-in liner and black gloves in pocket. It was last seen on the rack by the water fountain on Sunday, December 1. Please contact Wilma Mitchell if you've seen it (433-9545). Thanks!!
- **Save the Dates!!**—**September 21 & 22, 2019** are the dates of **Otterbein's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**. A variety of activities are planned for the weekend-long celebration. Stay tuned for all the details in the coming months!
- **Assisted Listening Devices** and **large print bulletins and hymnals** are available. Please see an usher for assistance.

**ACOLYTE:** Chelsea Joiner  
**CRUCIFER:** Solomon Fowler-Evans

**GREETERS:** Kevin, Bonnie, & Dylan Andrade  
 John & Joann Widener

**NURSERY:** Betty Redmond & Mary Andes

**POWERPOINT:** Patsy Liskey

**Next Week's Acolyte / Crucifer**  
 Lena Blagg / Christian Joiner

**Next Week's Nursery Volunteers**  
 Carla Nemoytin & TBA

**Next Week's Children's Message**  
 Christy Blagg

**Next Week's Powerpoint**  
 Susan Pollard

**Attendance on December 1/2: SNA—10 Sunday Worship—132**

*The flowers on the altar today are given in honor and memory of many loved ones and to the glory of God.*

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**OFFICE HOURS:**  
 Monday -Thursday: 8:00 am - 3:00 pm  
 Friday: Closed

## Sharing our Joys & Concerns

Please list concern or joy and/or name to pray for.