

December 24, 2023, 6:00pm



**Rev. Cheryl M. Walker, Interim Minister  
and Music Director Baker Purdon**

**String Quartet:**

**Lorenzo Raval & Michael Divino, Violin  
Ashley Vines, Viola, Krysta Fogel, Cello**

**Others Who Minister Tonight**

Worship Associate: Andrea Barsevick

Sound: Joshua DeMarco

Camera: Eric Foster

Ushers: Lynne Kalish, Steve Conrad, Ella Pond, Aria Manes, Keith Kratz,

Andrea Durham

Prelude *The First Snow*, arr. Andre von Hart

**Welcome -- Andrea Barsevick**

**Unison Chalice Lighting - Andrea Barsevick**

Let us light the Christmas candle we hold so dear  
Candle of joy wherein sadness disappears  
Candle of hope where despair hangs heavy with  
Candle of courage to lighten all our fears  
Candle of peace to calm the tempest of the year  
Candle of love to ease the burden of our cares  
Candle to enflame the heart with the grace and  
Christmas comfort and cheer. (Richard Fewkes)

**Carol** *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

**Traditional Reading:** *Gospel of Luke Chapter 2*, NI  
Cheryl

**Modern Reading** by Walter Argow – Andrea Bar

**Carol** *O Come All Ye Faithful*

**Story** *The Gift* by Nancy Dahlberg (adapted) -

Offertory Christmas Lullaby by Jason Robert Brown, arr.  
Baker Purdon

Candle Lighting – Rev. Cheryl

Carol *Silent Night, Holy Night*

Extinguishing the Chalice – Andrea Barsevick

Benediction – *The Work of Christmas by Howard  
Thurman* Rev. Cheryl

Postlude: Joy to the World arr. André von Haren

Adorning the Mitten Tree

Exit Music: Deck the Halls & We Wish You A Merry  
Christmas, arr. André von Haren

**Kwanzaa Service and Potluck**  
with the Sistahs Laying Down Hands Col  
& Mt. Airy UUs, at USG  
Sunday, December 31, 10:30am

**Jazz Funeral for the Old Year**  
With The Barbone Street Jazz Band  
Sunday, January 7, 10:30am

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