

**Solomons United Methodist Church**  
**Christmas Eve Family Service**



**December 24, 2018**  
**10:00 AM**

# Welcome to Solomons United Methodist Church

We are happy you are here to help us celebrate the birth of Jesus!

This morning we will be telling the story of the birth of Jesus our Savior through Christmas carols, listening to the story and lots of action.

We expect the children (and adults) to be excited, wiggly and even talkative. The children can even participate if they would like.

**Merry Christmas!!!**

## Opening Hymn

*Joy to the World*

### VERSE 1:

Joy to the world! The Lord is come;  
Let earth receive her King.  
Let every heart prepare Him room.  
And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.

### VERSE 2:

Joy to the world! The Savior reigns;  
Let men their songs employ.  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

VERSE 4: He rules the world with truth and  
grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders, wonders of His love.

## Scripture Reading

*Isaiah 9:2-7*

## The Nativity Story - Video

## Gospel Reading

*Luke 2:1-7*

## Hymn

*O Little Town of Bethlehem v. 1 & 2*

### Verse 1

O little town of Bethlehem  
How still we see thee lie  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
The everlasting Light  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight

### Verse 2

For Christ is born of Mary  
And gathered all above  
While mortals sleep the angels keep  
Their watch of wondering love  
O morning stars together  
Proclaim the holy birth

## **\*Hymn**

### **Verse 1**

Angels we have heard on high  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their joyous strains

### **Chorus 1**

Gloria in excelsis Deo  
Gloria in excelsis Deo

*Angels We Have Heard on High v.1-3*

### **Verse 2**

Shepherds why this jubilee  
Why your joyous strains prolong  
What the gladsome tidings be  
Which inspire your heavenly song

### **Verse 3**

Come to Bethlehem and see  
Christ whose birth the angels sing

## **Message**

*Rev. Dottie Yunger*

## **Offertory Hymn**

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## **Communion**

### **Communion Hymn**

*What Child Is This*

#### **Verse 1**

What Child is this who laid to rest  
On Mary's lap is sleeping  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet  
While shepherds watch are keeping  
This this is Christ the King  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing  
Haste haste to bring Him laud  
The Babe the Son of Mary

Nails spear shall pierce Him through  
The cross be borne for me for you  
Hail hail the Word made flesh  
The Babe the Son of Mary

#### **Verse 3**

So bring Him incense gold and myrrh  
Come peasant king to own Him  
The King of kings salvation brings  
Let loving hearts enthrone Him  
Raise raise the song on high  
The Virgin sings her lullaby  
Joy joy for Christ is born  
The Babe the Son of Mary

#### **Verse 2**

Why lies He in such mean estate  
Where ox and ass are feeding  
Good Christian fear for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading

## Handing out of Glo-Sticks

### \*Hymn

*Silent Night*

#### Verse 1

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

#### Verse 2

Silent night holy night  
Shepherds quake at the sight

Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia  
Christ the Saviour is born  
Christ the Saviour is born

#### Verse 3

Silent night holy night  
Son of God love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face  
With the dawn of redeeming grace  
Jesus Lord at Thy birth

### \*Closing Prayer

*Rev. Dottie Yunger*

### Closing Song

*Go Tell it On The Mountain*

#### Chorus 1

Go tell it on the mountain  
Over the hills and everywhere  
Go tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born

#### Verse 1

While shepherds kept their watching  
Over silent flocks by night  
Behold throughout the heavens  
There shone a holy light

#### Verse 2

The shepherds feared and trembled  
When lo above the earth  
Rang out the angel chorus  
That hailed the Savior's birth

#### Verse 3

Down in a lowly manger  
The humble Christ was born  
And God sent us salvation  
That blessed Christmas morn

### Blessing

## A Special Thank You

**Thank you to the Christmas Eve Musicians and Vocalists,  
Acolytes, Greeters, Narrators, Scripture Readers,  
Communion Assistants and Offering Assistants.**



## **Sunday Worship Services**

10am Sunday School (pre-k - 5th grade)  
10am Blended Worship Service

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## **Here's What's Happening Weekly**

Monday: Yoga 9 a.m.  
Tuesday: Pilates 9 a.m.  
Round Dancing 7 - 9 p.m.  
Wednesday: Mighty Mamma's 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.  
Thursday: Pilates 9 a.m.  
More Tasty Blessings Community Dinner 6 - 7pm  
(December - February, & June - August)

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## **Dates to Remember**

December 21st - January 1st	Church office closed
December 27th	More Tasty Blessings Community Dinner 6 - 7pm
December 30th	5th Sunday Joint Service @ Zion UMC, Lexington Park, MD 10am
January 1st	Office Closed
January 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th	More Tasty Blessings Community Dinner 6 - 7pm
January 6th	Epiphany Sunday/Star Service 10am

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## **New Sermon Series beginning Sunday, January 13, 2019**

### **Greater Gifts**

This series focuses upon lifting up the gifts in our congregation, and then acting together as one body with many interconnected parts. This body works as a cohesive unit to reach out beyond the walls of the church and bring people to know and receive the love of God. This is how we respond to the call to "see all the people." Making disciples for Jesus Christ begins with having a heart for all God's people. That means seeking out and engaging people outside the church walls - sharing our gifts with them, and celebrating the gifts they share with us.



*Loving, Serving, and Growing in the Name of Jesus Christ.*

**Rev. Dottie Yunger - Lead Pastor**

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