



## Wesley United Methodist Church

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Rev. Lourdes Magalhães



### **Play Cast:**

*God - David Storm*

*Mary – Kelly Henderson*

*Jesus – Tom Watson*

*Soloist – Jessica Meinders*

*Organist – Gigi Pautlz*

*Author – Rev. Lourdes Magalhães*

Ushers: Gary & Marian Gunn

Liturgist: Joel Tomlinson

Organist: Gigi Plautz

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**A Service Celebrating the Birth of Christ**

*Christmas Eve*

December 24, 2017 4:00 pm

\*Indicates those who are able, please stand.

**WE PRAISE GOD**

PRELUDE Gigi Plautz

OPENING PRAYER Pastor Lourdes

\*HYMN: "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" UMH No. 211

CALL TO WORSHIP: Joel Tomlinson

Leader: In the beginning was The Word, and The Word was with God and The Word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being.

**All: I hear It singing in my soul: resolving and unresolved, unchanged and ever-changing.**

Leader: A melody of such love, the harmonies of such splendor -

**All: Swirling colors of light and dark, twining and compassing me.**

Leader: In him was life, and the life was the light of us all. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. The true light that enlightens everyone was coming into the world.

**All: I see It sweeping through my soul: moving and unmoved, leashed and unleashing**

Leader: A breeze of incredible tenderness, the warmth of such beauty -

**All: Glowing beams of radiance and shadow, wrapping and rekindling me.**

Leader: And The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have seen his glory, the glory as of the father's only son. From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For in the beginning was The Word, and The Word was with God and The Word was God. (Based on Titus 2:11-14)

ADVENT LIGHT CANDLES Wesley Women  
Lighting 3 purple candles  
Light 1 pink Advent candle

\*HYMN: "Hark The Herald Angels Sing" UMH No. 240

SPECIAL MUSIC Alexa Gerszewski

\*READING THE OLD TESTAMENT Pastor Lourdes  
Isaiah 9:6

A child is born to us, a son is given to us, and authority will be on his shoulders.

He will be named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

LIGHT THE CHRISTMAS CANDLE Gigi Plautz

SPECIAL MUSIC "Could This Be a Special Night?" Wesley Choir

TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

\*OFFERING SONG UMH No. 94  
"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,  
whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH No. 895

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.

\*HYMN: "Joy To The World the Lord Is Come" UMH No. 246

PLAY (1<sup>st</sup> Act) Pastor Lourdes  
"Let Us Celebrate My (Jesus) Birthday"

\*HYMN: "What Child is This" UMH No. 219

\*HYMN: "Angels We Have Heard on High" UMH No. 238

PLAY (2<sup>nd</sup> Act)

HYMN UMH No. 239  
"Silent Night"

PLAY (Conclusion)

BLESSINGS

SENDING FORTH: Go, Go and Celebrate Jesus Birthday! Have a very Happy Christmas.  
As you journey through this week to the New Year, remember; you are Jesus face in this  
world. Share peace, love, joy and hope wherever you are. Amen.