

Welcome To Worship
Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church
December 29, 2024 ~ 11am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Todd Humphrey

CALL TO WORSHIP: *(From John 1: 9-12)*

Todd Humphrey

On this fifth day of Christmas, let us pause for a moment,

To remember the miracle that was the birth of Christ.

The true light which, enlightened everyone, came into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him.

He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him.

But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become the children of God.

THE LORD'S PRAYER: Todd Humphrey

PASTOR'S GREETING: Pastor Jeff

CAROLS - A Cantata for Congregation and Choir

Please follow the color coding on the screen for guidance as to when to join in with choir.

- Joy to the World
- Away in a Manger (Jocelyn Cooper, soloist)
- O Come, All Ye Faithful
- God Rest Ye Merry Gentleman
- O Little Town of Bethlehem (Lyla Cooper, soloist)

SCRIPTURE: John 1: 1-14

Rev. Robin Blair

The Word Became Flesh

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was in the beginning with God. **3** All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being **4** in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. **5** The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. **7** He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. **8** He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. **9** The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

10 He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. **11** He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. **12** But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, **13** who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

14 And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION: Pastor Jeff

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Pastor Jeff

*OFFERING WITH OFFERTORY PRAISE:

PRAYER OF DEDICATION: Todd Humphrey

Dear Lord, we return a portion of what You have given us, to this church. Please help us to use it for the transformation of the world through discipleship. Amen.

CANTATA - continued

- The First Noel
- Silent Night
- Joy to the World (Reprise)

BENEDICTION: Pastor Jeff