

Order of Worship

Pianist- Angela Jackson

Organist- Bryan Massengale

Prelude

Bryan Massengale

Striking of the Hour

Greeting & Announcements

Billy Ray Patton

Invocation

Rev. Dave Grant

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Responsive Reading

Hymn of Praise

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

No. 162

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

No. 691

Gloria Patri

No. 33

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Scripture

Zephaniah 3:14-20

Rev. Dave Grant

Cantata

Offertory

"And There Was A Star"

Bryan Massengale

Hymn of Response

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice!"

No. 195

Benediction

Postlude

Serving in Worship Today

Acolyte: Sophie Grant

Ushers: Lynda Smith, Margo Hinsdale

Diane Yonke, Gary Gilmore

Spring City Methodist Church

3rd Sunday of Advent
December 15, 2023

Join us as we passionately worship with music. As this is an act of worship, please hold your applause until the end when we give God all the praise and honor.

The Ballad of Bethlehem A Timeless Story of God's Love by Pepper Choplin

Voice in the Wilderness
Choir

The Ballad of Bethlehem
Connie Roberts and Choir

Bethlehem Prophecy
Choir

The Ballad of Bethlehem: The Birth
Women's chorus

Still Gentle Mary
Choir

The Ballad of Bethlehem: The Shepherds
Choir

I Hear the Angels Shouting Glory!
Choir

The Ballad of Bethlehem: The Wise Men
Men's Chorus

Only the Wise
Choir and Caren Ruffner, descant

A Thrill of Hope
Choir

The Ballad of Bethlehem

Narrator, Susan Maddux

Shout with the Shepherds

Angela Jackson with Choir and Congregation

Hark the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King;

Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"

Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies;

with th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

"Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Spring City Methodist Church Chancel Choir at Christmas 2024

Soprano

Beverly Allison
Sam Hanson
Angela Jackson
Connie Roberts
Caren Ruffner

Alto

Joyce Eicher
Kathy Heimel
Nancy Herhold
Cindy Hill
Christina Miller

Tenor

David Eicher
Tom Heimel
Dutch Kane
Bryan Massengale

Bass

David Gilliam
Mike Jackson
Steve Orender
Richard Stair

Accompanied by:

Jan Manuel, piano
Bryan Massengale, organ

Narrator

Susan Maddux

Directed by:

Judy Ezell

Dear Choir,

Thank you for such generosity of your time and talent. It is a privilege to be a part of this church family that gathers weekly to sing, but also to share concerns and celebrations. I'm grateful you allow me to serve our church as your director.

Judy Ezell

Week at a Glance

Sunday, December 15

8:45 Contemporary Service
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Heritage Service
1:30 Boynton Baby Shower
5:00 Cantata Practice
6:00 Bible Study
8:00 AA
FLC Reserved

Monday, December 16

10:00 TLC

Tuesday, December 17

8:30 PDO
5:30 Leadership Team Meeting

Wednesday, December 18

10:00 Women's A.D. Group
11:30 Prayer Group
3:00 Men's AD Group
5:00 SCM Kids
5:00 Confirmation Class
6:00 Choir Practice
6:30 Maddux AD Group

Thursday, December 19

8:30 PDO

Friday, December 20

2:00—Joy Group Movie—FLC
Fellowship Hall Reserved

Saturday, December 22

Fellowship Hall Reserved

*A.A. = Alcoholics Anonymous

*TLC= Theresa Lisa Crafters (Prayer Shawl Group)

*PDO= Parent's Day Out

*A.D. Group= Accountability Discipleship Group

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Announcements

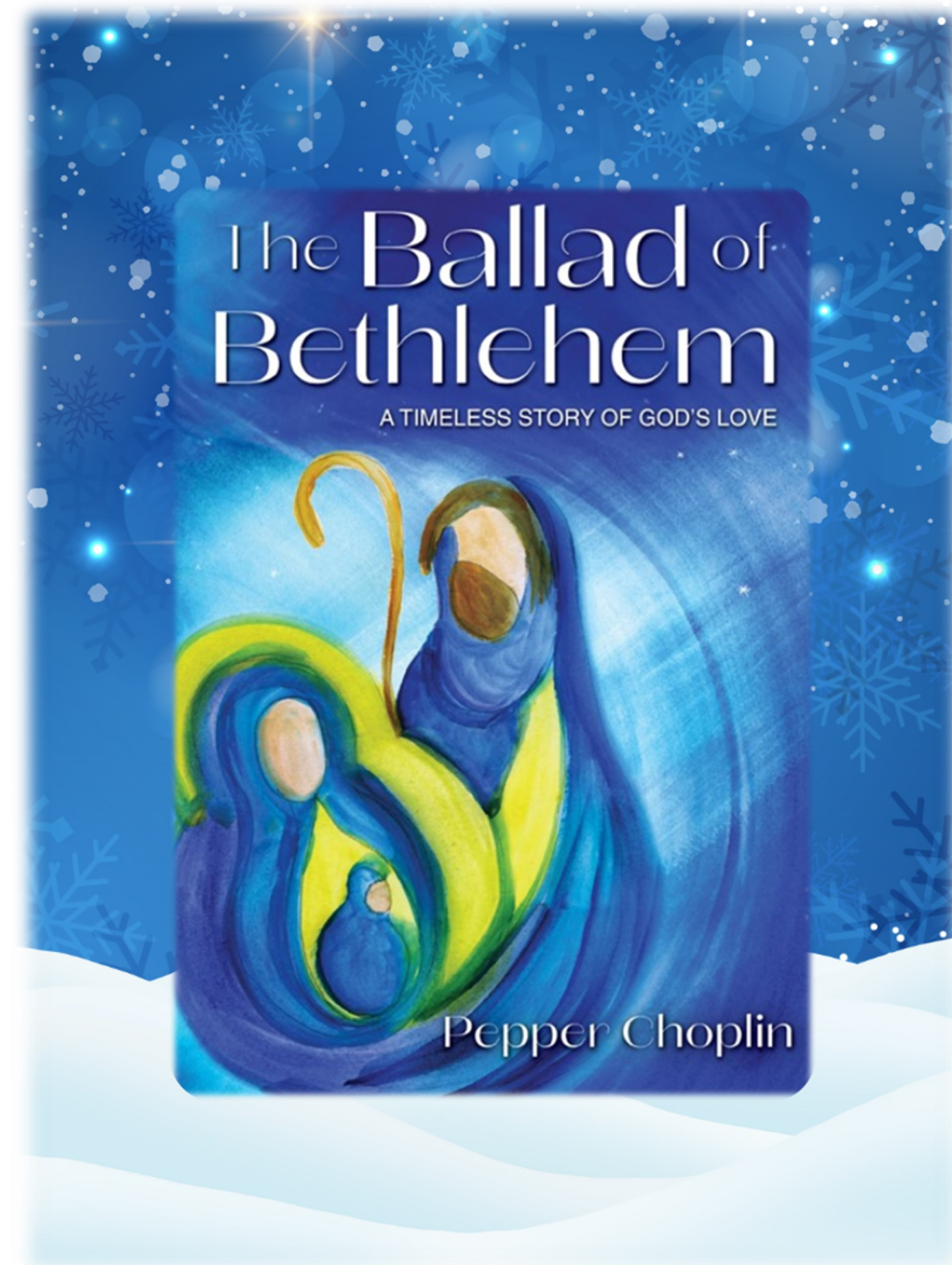
- **Visitors**—If you are visiting with us today, welcome! We are so glad you are here. **Please complete a visitor's card** found in the pew in front of you in the heritage service or on the welcome table in the contemporary service and place it in the offering plate.
- **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**— The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be at 5:00 in the sanctuary. We hope you will join us and bring someone with you.
- **Christmas Eve Offering**—Our Christmas Eve offering will go to Isaiah 117 House. Isaiah 117 House provides physical and emotional support in a safe and loving home for children awaiting foster care. As they are building their new home, they cannot begin using it until it is paid for, so here is an opportunity to help children of Rhea County this Christmas. 
- **Office Closed**—The church office will be closed December 25-27. We wish you a merry Christmas!
- **JOY Group Event** (correction)—The Joy Group will be meeting in the **Family Life Center** at 2 PM on Friday, December 20th to enjoy a movie together. Please bring finger foods or dessert. Drinks will be provided.
- **Spring City Warming Center**—On nights when the temperature will be below 32 degrees, local churches will be working together to host an overnight warming center for homeless/unhoused residents. The hour will be from 5 PM until 7 AM and will include a hot supper and cereal breakfast. This week and next, the warming center will be hosted by Rock House at the former Four Square facility on Picadilly Ave. SCM will be hosting Dec. 29-Jan. 4 as well as some other weeks in January. We will be needing volunteers for the following:
 - Prepare supper
 - Stay overnight
 - Clean up afterwards

We are in need of towels and wash clothes, travel sized soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes.

- **The Longest Night Service of Remembrance**—Not everyone feels joyous in this season of celebrations and joy. Loss during the year can be felt even more dramatically during the holiday season. Losses can include the death of a loved one, the death of a beloved pet, or the loss of a job or a relationship. The Longest Night Service gives voice to these losses. The service begins at 7 pm on December 21st, the longest night of the year. All are welcome to come and hear how much God loves and cares for you during your season of loss and grief. **New Beginning Church, EPC**

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Spring City Methodist Church

December 15, 2024

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Rev. Dave Grant, Pastor

"Our witness is to live and love according to God's Word so that others will know Christ through us."