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[Matthew 1:18-25](#)

In our scripture lesson, we learn that Joseph was faced with a difficult decision. He could be self-righteous and denounce Mary, or he could heed the message he received from an angel in a dream and believe that Mary was indeed pregnant by the Holy Spirit and that she was carrying the Son of God.

This must have been very difficult for him. He was a righteous man and he obviously was a man of faith, and he obviously cared deeply for Mary. I'm sure he wrestled mightily with this decision but in the end, he accepted Mary as his wife.

Recently, I did the wedding for my step-daughter, Amanda, and her fiancée, Scott. One of the things I stressed in my message to them was that love is not an emotion. Love is a behavior. When Paul writes to the Corinthian church he tells them how they are to behave toward one another. They are to be patient and kind. They are not to envy one another, or to boast. They are not to be proud, or rude, or self-seeking. They should not be easily angered and should not keep a record of wrongs.

This was the kind of love that Joseph had for Mary.

Let us follow the example of Joseph and the instructions of Paul, and love one another.

With love and joy,

Rev. Sharon

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Join us for a fun afternoon of

Christmas Caroling

Saturday, December 12

Beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 13

3pm Sunday new time

Each day there are multiple senior facilities that we will be caroling outside at. Please contact Karen Rae Short at karenraeshort@gmail.com or contact the church office at 727-785-7487 for more information. Song books will be provided.



Sunday

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REMEMBER HONOR TEACH



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Join us

Saturday, Dec. 19
11:30 a.m.

Meet at Curlew Hills
Memory Gardens

ALL AGES are welcome!



**CHRISTMAS EVE
FAMILY
SERVICE**

December 24TH
4 P.M.

**CHRISTMAS EVE
CANDLELIGHT
SERVICE**

December 24TH
7 P.M.

**CHRISTMAS EVE
CANDLELIGHT &
COMMUNION
SERVICE**

December 24TH
11 P.M.

CELEBRATE



Christmas

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