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LUKE 2:1-20

It's hard to believe that Christmas is almost here. Our celebrations this year have been curtailed by COVID. We do not anticipate the large crowds that we normally have on Christmas Eve. However, the fact that Jesus was born to save us all from sin and death has not changed. The story, as told in the Gospel of Luke, is so familiar most of us know exactly what happens next.

The problem for us preachers is, how do we make the story come alive? How do we make the birth of a baby over 2,000 years ago relevant today?

It is not a new story but it will always be a relevant story. It reminds us that all of heaven and earth rejoiced when this baby was born but not because he was a king or some celebrity. They rejoiced because he was God coming to dwell here on earth. The angels proclaimed his birth. Shepherds followed a star that led them to his manger bed. This was no ordinary baby. This was the long awaited Savior of the world and that story never grows old.

Come as we join the host of heaven and the shepherds in rejoicing that Jesus, Emmanuel, has been born in Bethlehem and anew in each of us.

Come, Lord Jesus!

Wishing you hope, peace, joy and love this Christmas.

Rev. Sharon

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS
SEASON
LET HIM BE
BORN INSIDE
YOUR HEART

Our Christmas Eve services are:

4 p.m. Family Service

7 p.m. Candlelight

11 p.m. Candlelight and Communion



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DEC. 27
ONE SERVICE
10:30 A.M.



Staff Parish Relations Committee would like to take a moment to appreciate Pastor Sharon Patch for stepping in as Interim Senior Pastor during 2020. She has gone above and beyond the call of duty and we appreciate everything she has done. If you would like to share your appreciation, a basket will be set up in the lobby on Sunday, December 27th accepting cards and/or gifts.

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