

Forest Hill United Church
'open doors, open hearts, open minds'



Christmas Eve
December 24, 2021 Carol Sing 6:45-7p.m.

WELCOME to worship!

Gathering

Carol Singing

Welcome, Acknowledgement & Announcements:

Centering time: Special Music (video)

Nadine Martin playing her own arrangement of "O Holy Night"

Lighting of the Christ Light and Advent Candles

One: We light the Christ candle to symbolize God's promise fulfilled.

ALL: For a child has been born for us, a son, given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, and Everlasting Prince of Peace, Emmanuel, God with us!

Call to Worship:

Do not be afraid: for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy.

To us is born this day in the city of David a Savior, the Messiah.

This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in cloth and lying in a manger. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace.

Let us now go to Bethlehem together.

Gathering Prayer: (All)

Divine One, on this holy night we gather to stand with shepherds, amazed at your glory; to sing with angels, rejoicing in your work; to wait with Joseph, trusting in your promise; to sit with Mary, cradling your love. May the good news of this night inspire us to tell the world of our great joy: Jesus is born! Amen.

Opening Hymn: Go Tell it on the Mountain VU 43

Scripture: Luke 2: 1-20 – offered by Graham
Living the Story through Godly Play

Hymn of Praise: Away in a Manger VU 69

Prayers of Our Community:

Commissioned to Share the Light & Benediction

Closing Hymn: Silent Night VU67

Postlude: (please remain seated)
Joy to the World VU 59

Peace and Blessings of the Christmas Season to each and everyone of this special church family! May God keep you the blessing you already are!

Land Acknowledgment

At Forest Hill United Church, we acknowledge that our church is built on ancestral, traditional and unceded Wolastoqey land.

Declaration of a Safe Space

Forest Hill United Church is a safe place for people to gather, regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, family status, sexual orientation and gender identity.

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