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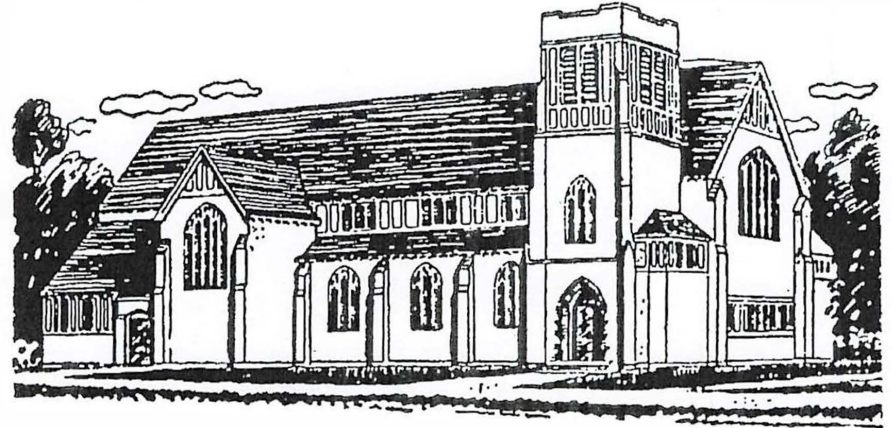
**KNOX UNITED CHURCH**

Mission: "We exist to love God and love our neighbours"  
(Matthew 22: 36-40)

Vision: "We aspire to engage our neighbours through the arts, building a community without loneliness.

# December 29, 2024

## WORSHIP SUNDAY



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**Prelude:** "Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella" David Lasky

## Welcome and Candle Lighting

**Opening Carol:** "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" VU 35

## Opening Prayer

### Lessons and Carols

**Lesson One:** Genesis 1:1–5 The Creation

**Carol:** "Joy to the World" VU 59

**Lesson Two:** Isaiah 9:2, 6–7 The Prophecy of the Messiah

**Carol:** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (*verses 1-3*) VU 1

**Lesson Three:** Luke 1:26–38 The Annunciation

**Carol:** "To a Maid Whose Name Was Mary" VU 14

**Lesson Four:** Luke 2:1–7 The Birth of Jesus

**Carol:** "Away in a Manger" VU 69

**Lesson Five:** Luke 2:8–20 The Shepherds and the Angels

**Carol:** "Angels We Have Heard on High" VU 38

**Lesson Six:** Matthew 2:1–12 The Visit of the Magi

**Carol:** "The First Nowell" VU 91

**Lesson Seven:** John 1:1–14 The Word Became Flesh

**Carol:** "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" VU 48

## Reflection

**Offering Carol:** "What Child Is This" VU 74

## Prayer of Dedication

## Prayers of the People

## Lord's Prayer (*said together*)

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

**Closing Carol:** "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" VU 43

## Commissioning and Benediction

**Minister:** Go forth into the New Year with the light of Christ shining in your hearts. May the hope of the prophets, the peace of the angels, the joy of the shepherds, and the love of the Christ child be with you always. Amen.

**All: Amen.**

**Postlude:** "The First Nowell" John Leavitt

### Worship Leaders:

Minister: Rev. Richard Chung

Scripture Readers:

Music Director: Colleen Coulter

Organist: Madelene Klassen

Ministry of Music: Knox Choir

Usher/Greeters: Dave Cass

Live-Streaming: Kevin Wong

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