



West Main Baptist Church
December 19, 2021
Advent Four: Love

*congregation standing

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

What Child is This?
(GREENSLEEVES) Trad. English Melody
Ave Maria
Bach-Gounod

John Scott, violin

WELCOME

Drew Herring

*CALL TO WORSHIP

“Draw Near to Love” (Sarah Are)

*LIGHTING THE FOURTH ADVENT CANDLE: LOVE

Tom Edmonds & Margaret Gurley

*CAROL 125

Angels We Have Heard On High

The Church

*ADVENT AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Advent is believing in God’s good.
Advent is embracing hope in fear.
Advent is making peace in chaos.
Advent is finding joy within sorrow.
Advent is love made visible.
Light in darkness.
Life abundant.
Advent is waiting patiently...
With hope and with peace.
With joy and with love.

Skyler Daniel

*RESPONSE 79 (verse 4)

O Come, O Come, Emanuel

The Church

**O come, Desire of nations, bind all peoples in one heart and mind;
bid envy, strife, and quarrels cease; fill all the world with heaven’s peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!**



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CHILDREN'S NATIVITY PAGEANT

Readers: Evan Brooks, Austin Syvanthong, & Caroline Wilson

CAROL 110, vs 1 *Away in a Manger* The Church
**Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;
the stars in the sky looked down where He lay, the little Lord Jesus a sleep on the hay.**

*CAROL 107 *O Little Town of Bethlehem* The Church

CENTERING PRAYERS Skyler Daniel

ANTHEM *The First Noel* Sanctuary Choir
Michael Clawson Lynne Booker, *piano*; John Scott, *violin*

SERMON "All In" John 3:16 Drew Herring

*CAROL 114 *Gentle Mary Laid Her Child* The Church

OFFERTORY *The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came* Mark Gourley
Basque Carol, Paul Manz, setting

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Jerry Shaver

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE 119 (verse one) The Church
**His name is called Emmanuel, more wonderful than words can tell. God is with us! Alleluia!
Born in our darkness, He is Light; Born in our weakness, He is Might.
God is with us! Alleluia! God is with us! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*BENEDICTION Skyler Daniel

POSTLUDE *Angels We have Heard on High* Mark Gourley
(GLORIA) Timothy Albrecht

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2022 PLEDGE UPDATE

We have one more Sunday to complete our 2022 pledge. We are currently at \$268,432 (53.5%) of our goal, \$501,324. If you have pledged, thank you. If not, please return your pledge card for 2022 by Dec. 31st. Let's make this happen!

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Candlelight Communion Service
Nursery provided for infants - 2 year olds
Sunday, Dec. 26th @11:00 Worship in the
Fellowship Hall- casual dress
Monday, Dec. 27th: Church office closed
Tuesday Dec. 28th -31st: Office open 9-12
Sunday, Jan. 2nd: 11:00 Worship Service Only
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