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Serving Christ and Community since 1754 An Open and Affirming Congregation The Reverend Amelia Edson Settled Pastor & Teacher





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# THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

## WELCOME

Rev. Amelia Edson

ORGAN PRELUDE

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" Mickey Johnson J.S. Bach

## CALL TO WORSHIP & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

One: Tonight we celebrate the birth that forever changed the world

#### All: O come, O come, Emmanuel

One: Because Christ came to us, we have experienced the ultimate hope that combats ever the darkest moments

## All: O come, O Come, Emmanuel

- One: Because Christ came to us we have seen the face of peace in its purest form
- All: O Come, O come Emmanuel
- One: Because Christ came to us, we have heard the tidings of great joy to all the earth
- All: O come, O come Emmanuel
- One: Tonight we celebrate God's birth that unleashes hope, peace, joy and love into the world
- All: O come, O Come Emmanuel
- CAROL "O Come, All Ye Faithful" Hymn No 148, vs. 1, 2, 4

READING

Ruby Boyd

## THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

PROLOGUE		
SCENE 1 – It's Tim	e!	
SCENE 2 – Mary's	Brave Choice	
SCENE 3 – Joseph	Agrees	
<b>THE OFFERTORY</b> G	"Believe" race Howison & Grace Johnson, vocal duet Mickey Johnson, piano	Josh Groban
SCENE 4 – He Will Be Like a Shepherd		
SCENE 5 – Woah!		
SCENE 6 – The Child is Born		
MUSIC	"Hear the Bells" Nie Kids Chorus	ck & Becky Drake
EPILOGUE		
*CAROL "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" No. 167, v.1-3 Pageant participants return to their families to pass the light of Christ.		
SHARING OF THE LIGHT		ev. Amelia Edson
*CAROL	"Silent Night, Holy Night"	No. 145, v.1-3
*CHRISTMAS BLES	SING R	ev. Amelia Edson
*CAROL	"Joy to the World"	No. 143

<sup>†</sup> Musical material is presented under CCLI License #11176026 \* *Please stand in body or spirit.* 

## Thank you to our worship participants

Presiding: Rev. Amelia Edson Minister of Music: Jan Stover Minister of Children & Families: Lydia Hoffman Ushers: Sarah Davis, Paul Davis Advent Candle Lighters: The Johnson Family Acolytes: Emily Pond, Caroline Pond Cover Artwork: Sally Davis Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais

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Kids' Church at Falmouth Congregational Church

Our Kids' Church program is enthusiastically led by <u>Lydia Hoffman</u>, our Minister of Children and Families here at FCC. Children begin the morning with their families in worship, and will then move into our classrooms following the Children's Moment, where we will explore the stories of the Bible and God's love through art, music, movement, games, and more! All are always welcome.

Our program runs from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM, with an optional early pick-up at 11:00 AM. If you are interested in enrolling your child in a community of warmth and welcome, you can register them on our website:

https://www.falmouthcongregationalchurch.org/childrens-programs.

Special thanks to the children, families and Kids' Church volunteers of Falmouth Congregational Church UCC.