

Germantown United Methodist Church
“Building A Christ Connection”

MORNING
Star

Celebrating the Everlasting
Light of Christmas



December 18, 2016

Christmas Cantata Sunday

9:00 a.m. December 18, 2016

* Please stand if you are able.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Gary

*OPENING HYMN

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

No. 234

ADVENT WREATH MOMENT: “Joy”

CHRISTMAS CANTATA “Morning Star”

By Lloyd Larson

The Christmas story is one of hope, one of redemption, and one of fulfilled promises from God. As Isaiah said, “*The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.*” (Isaiah 9:2)

Morning Star is a message for all of us—that the message of Christ, the light of lights, needs to be heard. Each of us has experienced our own days, perhaps extended seasons, of darkness. But Jesus said, “*I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.* (John 8:12)

Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Morning Star

Chosen by God

Soloist: Cathy Butler and Randy Stiver

O Little Town of Bethlehem

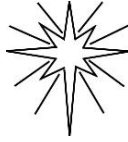
He Come from the Glory

Soloist: Sandy Gebhart and Larry Wisner

Why Do the Shepherds Sing?

Morning Star (Finale)

(With Joyful Noise)



Hark ! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing,
glory to the newborn King,
peace on earth and mercy mild.
God and sinners reconciled!

Joyful, all ye nations rise,
join the triumph of the skies,
with angelic host proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem!
Hark! The herald angels sing,
glory to the newborn King.

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness,
light and life to all He brings,
risen with healing in his wings.

Mild He lays His glory by,
born that we no more will die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
glory to the newborn King.



THE OFFERING

The Offertory “O Holy Child”

*The Presentation of Tithes and Ourselves

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

M. Bartlett
Doxology No. 95

*CLOSING HYMN “Angels We Have Heard on High”

Extinguishing of the Candles

No. 238

*SENDING FORTH AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

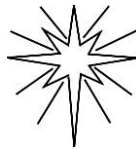
Altar Flowers are in honor of Larry & Mary Wiser’s 43rd wedding anniversary

Thank you to everyone who helped in the presentation of this musical. I pray that you will find hope in its message and encouragement in the unconditional love of God. Hold fast to the promise that even in the darkest of night, the Morning Star will rise. “Arise, shine for your light has come! And the glory of the Lord is risen upon you.” (Isaiah 60:1)

Carolyn Holland

Cast

Narrators	Gary Wheeler Myra Wheeler
Joseph	Jaron Develbiss
Mary	Erin Develbiss
Baby Jesus	Jackson Smith
Shepherds	Ryan Smith Logan Hannah Zach Hannah
Wisemen	Steve Cook Lance Comer Josh Knight
Dancers	Hailey Boehringer Summer Boehringer Kyla Boehringer Addie Taylor
Cast Assistance	Julie Smith
Sound	Charles Heistand Jay Jena
Luncheon Hostesses	Karen Carmickle, Charlotte Genslinger



Chancel Choir

Marjorie Anslow
Lareen Bowman
Linda Brown
Carol Bullock
Cathy Butler
Ann Conover
Lucille Dursch
Sandy Gebhart
Etta Hanahan
Greg Hanahan
Mark Heistand
April Judy
Marie McKay

Joyce Michael
Carol Pasquel
Jean Powell
Debbie Stiver
Randy Stiver
Martha Mae Storer
JoAnn Weaver
Larry Weaver
Terry Williams
Bev Willis
Bo Willis
Larry Wiser
Mary Wiser
Nancy Wright

Bells of Spirit/Joyful Noise

Alivia Comer
Lyla Comer
Ben Cooper
Jillian Develbiss
Colton Knight

Katie McAleer
Alex Powell
Daniel Powell
Emily Powell
Emma Willey

