

10:00 am Worship, December 26, 2021

**Prelude** *Once in Royal David's City* JRSS Quartet

**Welcome/Announcements** Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

**Threshold Moment**

**\*There are angels among us,  
there are angels among us,  
there are angels among us,  
bringing life on earth.**

**Do not be afraid  
Do not be afraid  
Do not be afraid  
Do not be afraid**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle** Biscardo Family

**Advent Wreath Prayer**

*Reader:* Let us pray:

**Holy Living God, Blessed Jesus, Guiding Spirit,  
alight within us Your flame of life this day.**

**Grant us openness to hear Your message.**

**Grant us courage to be Your messengers in the world,  
creating more life in the midst of fear.**

**And with the angel messengers above us, among us and within us, we sing...**

**Do not be afraid  
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Do not be afraid**

**\*Hymn** *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* UMH 240

**Children's Message** Linda Biscardo

**Special Music** *What Child is This* JRSS Quartet

**Prayer Song** *Surely the Presence of the Lord* UMH 328

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place*

*I can feel God's mighty power and God's grace.*

*I can hear the brush of angel's wings,*

*I see glory on each face;*

*surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.*

**Prayers of the People**

Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

The Lord's Prayer

**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. Forever. AMEN.**

**Dramatic Reading of Scripture** Matthew 2:7-23 Jordan Biscardo, Sarah Chambers  
Zach Chambers

**Message** Get Up and Go: More Life Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

**\*Hymn** *Go, Tell it one the Mountain* UMH 251

**\*Benediction** Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

**Postlude** *He is Born* JRSS Quartet