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Reading

Luke 2:8-19 (The Shepherds and the Angels)
Rev. Linda Wheler

Congregational Carol

O Come, All Ye Faithful (arr. S. Drummond Wolff) *(on insert)*

Handbells

Sing We Now of Christmas *(Kevin McChesney)*
Faith-a-Peal, Bellissimo & EmBellished Handbell Ensembles

Ensemble

Christmas Gloria *(Allen Pote)*
AUC Chancel Choir; Aldbury Gardens Brass Quintet;
Margaret Heney, organ; Lisa Kyriakides, conductor

Music Coordinator: Margaret Heney

Handbell Program Director: Lisa Kyriakides* Violin: Wesley Bells

Aldbury Gardens Brass Quintet:

Tim Birtch & Margaret Wolf, trumpets; Vernon MacDonald, French horn;
James Chilton, trombone; Eric Zhang, tuba

AUC Chancel Choir

Colleen Abbott, Laurie Bentolila, Kathie Blackman, Sally Carter, George Collins,
Andrea Drost, Penny Elliot, Laurie Graham, Crawford Heritage, Doreen Hiltz,
Dawn Horstead, Tracey Keffer-Lyon, Lisa Kyriakides, David Lever,
Bob McRoberts, Bruce Miller, Janice Nolan, Terri Price, Yvonne Speck,
David Summerfeldt, Jean Van den Brink, Charles Truax, Peter Zsebik

AUC Handbell Ensemble Members

Martha Bailkowski, Joanne Banfill, Nancy Birtch, Mandy Campagna,
Wai Yan Chan, Norma Draper, Susan Eaton, Anne Ella-Arnold, Penny Elliot,
Anthea English, Laurie Graham, Joyce Hagarty*, Manfred Ho, Manuel Ho,
Pat Innes*, Lisa Jones, Carol Lever, Mary Munro, Jennifer Schafer*,
Leslie Stoangi, Janet Thacker, Laura Wells
* member of EmBellished Handbell Ensemble

*Please join us for a reception in the Historic Chapel following the concert and place your
freewill offering in the collection plates as you exit the sanctuary. May you be filled with
the joy and spirit of the Christmas season.*

AURORA UNITED CHURCH



Carols by Candlelight
Sunday, December 21, 2025

4:00 pm & 7:30 pm

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Christmas Carol Sing Bob McRoberts

Welcome

Margaret Heney, AUC Music Coordinator

Congregational Carol

VU 91 The First Nowell (verses 1-4)

Choir Anthem

Behold the Star (*Thomas Cabiness*)
AUC Chancel Choir

Reading

Isaiah 9:2-7 (A child has been born for us.)
George Collins (4:00 pm), Andrea Drost (7:30 pm)

Handbells

O Come, O Come Emmanuel (*arr. Cynthia Dobrinski*)
Faith-A-Peal Handbell Ensemble

Congregational Carol

VU 74 What Child is This?

Solo

A Christmas Fantasia, opus 82 (*Franz Wolfahrt*)
Wesley Bells, violin

Reading

Luke 1: 26-35 (The Birth of Jesus Foretold)
Doreen Hiltz (4:00 pm), Mandy Campagna (7:30 pm)

Choir Anthem

Mid-Winter (*Bob Chilcott*)
AUC Chancel Choir



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Congregational Carol

VU 64 O Little Town of Bethlehem

Handbells

Go, Tell It! (*Chris Peck*)
Bellissimo Handbell Ensemble

Reading

Luke 2: 1-7 (The Birth of Jesus)
Norma Draper (4:00 pm), Joanne Banfill (7:30 pm)

Choir Anthem

Rocking (*arr. John Rutter*)
AUC Chancel Choir & Wesley Bells, violin

Aldbury Gardens Brass Quintet

Angels We Have Heard on High (*arr. J. Scott Irvine*)
Margaret Heney, organ
We Wish You a Merry Christmas (*arr. John Rutter*)

Congregational Carol

Joy to the World (*arr. S. Drummond Wolff*) (*on insert*)

Handbells

Carolers' Hoedown (*arr. Valerie Stephenson*)
EmBellished Handbell Ensemble

Choir Anthem

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day (*John Gardner*)
AUC Chancel Choir & Myles Heney, tambourine

Duet

Sing Joy! (*arr. Mark Hayes*)
Tim Birtch and Margaret Wolf, trumpets