#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- \* Sunday, Jan 7, We will install the new church officers during worship service. Please pray for them.
- \* Children Art Class: starting on 1/13/2024, every Saturday from 10:30 AM to 12 noon. For six weeks.
- \* 2024 Flower Chart: Donation of flowers is \$10 per Sunday.



#### **Activities of the Church**

Holy Communion Sunday 1st Sunday of the month

English Worship Service Sunday 9:30 am

Cantonese Worship Service Sunday 11:00 am

Chinese Adult Bible Study Fellowship Sunday 9:45 am

English Adult Sunday School / Fellowship Sunday 11:00 am – 12:30 pm

College/Post—College Sunday School Sunday 10:30 am – 12:30 pm (4/Fl.)

Maranatha Fellowship Sunday 10:30 am (4/Fl.)

Elementary Sunday School  $1^{st}$  and  $3^{rd}$  Sunday 11:00 pm

Chinese Prayer Meeting & Bible Study (Online) Thursday 8:15 pm – 10:00 pm

Post-College Fellowship / Prayer Meeting Friday 7:30 pm

Chinese Young Adult Fellowship Friday 7:30 pm

Chinese Praise Team Rehearsal Friday 8:30 pm

Church Luncheon 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month



# **Chinese United Methodist Church**



### 12/24/2023

## Christmas Joint Worship at 10:30 AM



Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests. (Luke 2:14)

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### **Service Program**

Praise Time Praise Team

Scripture Reading Praise Team

Luke 2:4-20

Christmas Songs Medley Linda Wang

Announcements Rev. William Cheng

Pastoral Prayer Rev. William Cheng

### 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 the evil one.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Choir "Gloria"

Message Rev. William Cheng

"Celebration of the Birth of Jesus"

Song of Response Praise Team

Benediction Rev. William Cheng

Song Praise Team



### Luke 2:4-20

- <sup>4</sup> So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David.
- <sup>5</sup> He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child.
- <sup>6</sup> While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born,
- <sup>7</sup> and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.
- <sup>8</sup> And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night.
- <sup>9</sup> An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.
- <sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.
- <sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.
- <sup>12</sup> This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."
- <sup>13</sup> Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,
- <sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."
- When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."
- <sup>16</sup> So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.
- <sup>17</sup> When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child,
- <sup>18</sup> and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.
- <sup>19</sup> But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.
- <sup>20</sup> The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.