



the people that walked in darkness have seen a great light.

ISAIAH 9:2

DUKE MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

ROBERT W. BRADSHAW, *Minister*

W. WARREN BISHOP, *Associate Minister*

(Let the people kneel or bow in silent prayer upon entering the Sanctuary)

THE PRELUDE

Carols by the Choir

(The Choral Prelude is being sung by the Adult Choir from the Choir Room)

THE CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

"Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly
Light"

Bach

(The Congregation will rise as the choir enters)

THE HYMN 86

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Adapted by Cummings

THE APOSTLES' CREED

THE PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE

DUET

"Song Of Mary"

Arr. F. M. Christiansen

Miss Gretchen Craig, Soprano

Miss Nancy Githens, Flute

Come ye who wander 'neath the palms yonder, Angels all holy, see how
he slumbers, he slumbers so lovely, he slumbers so lovely my child. Hold
ye the branches, calm ye the wind, Hold ye the branches, calm ye the wind.

THE RESPONSIVE READING

"The Benedictus"

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(Let the people stand immediately for the Reading)

THE GLORIA PATRI

THE SCRIPTURE READING

John 1: 1-12

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"There Shall A Star"

Mendelssohn

There shall a star from Jacob come forth, and a sceptre from Israel rise up.
And dash in pieces princes and nations. As bright the star of morning gleams,
so Jesus sheddeth glorious beams of light and consolation! Thy word, O
Lord, radiance darting, truth imparting gives salvation; Thine be praise
and adoration!

THE DOXOLOGY

THE HYMN 95

"Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"

T. R. Matthews

THE SERMON

"Out Of The Frame"

The Minister

THE CLOSING PRAYER

THE HYMN 100

"O Little Town Of Bethlehem"

Lewis H. Redner

THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

THE POSTLUDE

"The Shepherds' Carol"

Frederick Chubb

ALTAR FLOWERS

The beautiful flowers on the altar are given in memory of the Reverend and Mrs. Michael Bradshaw by the members of their family.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

The ministers and members of Duke Memorial Church express sincere sympathy to Mrs. J. C. Bisette, 610 North Gregson Street, in the death of her sister.

APPRECIATION

We want to thank all who helped in our lovely Christmas "Open House" last Sunday. For all the classes which helped in providing the refreshments, for those who decorated and those who served, and for all who helped in any way we are deeply grateful. And we appreciate the fine program rendered by all our choirs. They made a real contribution to the Christmas joy and spirit for all our congregation.

MYF CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

This afternoon at 4:30 p.m. the MYF will present "The Christmas Story", a presentation in narration, pantomime, and music. All members of the church are invited to come and share in this program.

CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION

We invite all to share in the Communion Service tomorrow evening, Christmas Eve, at 10 o'clock. After we have finished all our tasks connected with the physical preparation for Christmas, it could be a very rewarding experience to come to the House of God and here in quietness and reverence have our spirits renewed in the observance of the Sacrament of our Lord's Supper as a fitting spiritual preparation for Christmas Day.

NEXT SUNDAY

Student Recognition Day will be observed at our morning worship hour next Sunday. Several of our young people will participate in the service. We hope all our young people will make a special effort to attend.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC ON TELEVISION

We would like to call to the attention of our church family and their friends that special Christmas music will be presented by the entire Junior Choir and a Double Quartet from the Adult Choir on the Peggy Mann Show, Channel 11, W.T.V.D., from 1:00 to 1:30 p.m. on December 24, Christmas Eve.

METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIPS

The Senior High MYF will meet at 5:45 for supper. Following supper the group will leave the church for Christmas Caroling. All Senior High youth are invited and their friends are welcome.

The Junior High MYF will meet for supper at 5:45 p.m. and their evening activities.

MY CHRISTMAS WISH

Henry Van Dyke

"I am thinking of you today because it is Christmas, and I wish you happiness; and tomorrow, because it shall be the day after Christmas, I shall still wish you happiness; and so on clear through the year. I may not be able to tell you about it every day, because I may be far away; or because both of us may be very busy; or perhaps I may not be able to pay the postage on so many letters or to find the time to write them. But that makes no difference. The thought and the wish will be here just the same. In my work and in the business of life I mean to try not to be unfair to you or to injure you in any way. In my pleasure, if we can be together, I would like to share the fun with you. Whatever joy or success comes to you will make me glad. Without pretense and in plain words, good will to you is what I mean, in the spirit of Christmas."

God seems a little closer to me at Christmas because the coming of His Son reminds me more than anything else could ever remind me of my Father's love for me. And when I would try to respond to that love I know that I can best do it through my efforts to serve *you* — those children of His committed to my pastoral care. The words of the WISH expressed above suggest my way of seeking to acknowledge His love for me in my concern for you. I want my whole life to be used as an instrument through which something of His love and power may come into your life to help make it rich and full and complete.

In that Spirit I say to all my people: "A Real — Happy — Meaningful — Christmas!"

—*Robert W. Bradshaw*

CHURCH SECRETARY

Mrs. Lunsford, who has served for several months as our church secretary, is moving to Raleigh and has had to resign her position with us. We appreciate the fine service she has rendered and wish her well in her new home.

Mrs. Margaret Fogleman has been secured as our new secretary and will begin her work with us on January 2, 1963.

OFFICE HOURS

The church office will be closed on December 25 and 26, and on January 1. It will be open from 9-12 on December 24 and 31.

OTHER SCHEDULED EVENTS

Wednesday:

7:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting in Church Parlor