



The Unitarian Church in Westport

Annual Pageant on Christmas Eve

Rehearsals Dec. 9, 18, 22, 24

Ages 6-13 welcome!

For several decades it has been our tradition to produce a Pageant on Christmas Eve. There are several reasons why we Unitarian Universalists 'perform' a Pageant:

- It is a celebratory event; the focus of this is not on Jesus as a Savior. Rather, it is about new birth, human potential, the gift of love, and mostly about the children.
- References to the Nativity story occur often in Western literature; thus, it is an educational tool.
- For children to learn to work together and be in community is a valuable life lesson.
- Children love to get into a costume and 'play'. This is a good outlet for them.
- Learning to sing together is fun and connects children to their friends in different way from schoolwork or playground games.

We invite all children ages 6-13 to participate. While some of the solo roles are done by audition, the angel and shepherd parts are not. There is ample opportunity for solos (but not required). To participate, a child needs to be at all practices. If there are schedule conflicts, please speak with the director, [Rev. Ed Thompson](mailto:Rev.Ed.Thompson@uuwestport.org). 203-227-7205 x18.

DECEMBER

9	Thursday	5:00 – 6:00 rehearsal
18	Saturday	10:00 – 11:15 rehearsal
22	Wednesday	5:00 – 6:15 rehearsal
24	Friday	2:00 final rehearsal, snack, costumes; 4:00 Pageant

To get started, complete the registration form [HERE](#).

We hope your child/children can participate in this fun, exciting, educational event!