

# A CHILD'S CHRISTMAS IN WALES

December 26, 2021 10 AM

WELCOME AND OPENING WORDS

Cheryl Dixon Paul, Worship Associate

CHALICE LIGHTING

CAROL It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

1. It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth, to touch their harps of gold,  
"Peace on the earth, goodwill to men from heav'n's all gracious King."  
The world in solemn stillness lay, to hear the angels sing.

2. Still through the cloven skies they come, with peaceful wings unfurl'd,  
And still their heav'nly music floats o'er all the weary world:  
Above its sad and lowly plains they bend on hov'ring wing.  
And ever o'er its Babel sounds the blessed angels sing.

COVENANT

Cheryl Dixon Paul

Love is the spirit of this church, and service its law.  
This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace,  
To seek the truth in love, and to help one another.

CANDLELIGHTING

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MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

Kim Warman, Intern Minister

MUSIC "I Saw Three Ships" (English Traditional)

Erik Paul

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INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Rev. Ed Thompson

READING **A CHILD'S CHRISTMAS IN WALES** by Dylan Thomas

Readers: Cheryl Dixon Paul  
Candace Clinger  
Tom Croarkin  
Edward Thompson

CLOSING WORDS

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CAROL Deck the Halls

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, fa la la ... .  
'Tis the season to be jolly, fa la la... .  
Don we now our gay apparel, fa la la... .  
Troll the ancient, Yuletide carol, fa la la... .

See the blazing Yule before us, fa la la... .  
Strike the harp and join the chorus, fa la la... .  
Follow me in merry measure, fa la la... .  
While I sing of Yuletide treasure, fa la la... .

Visiting us this week? We're glad you're here with us! Please feel free to leave us your contact information, and then tear off this page and place it in the offering plate, or hand to a minister on your way out. Questions? Contact [beth@uuwestport.org](mailto:beth@uuwestport.org)

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