

CHRISTMAS EVE 2025
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO
SWEET RADIANT MYSTERY

Gathering Hymn (see insert) O Come, all Ye Faithful

Words of Welcome

Lighting of the Chalice

Hymn (see insert) It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

Community Offering

All of tonight's offerings will support the Creation District which provides creative outlets, community and hope to unhoused or at-risk youth. To donate by text send the amount (no dollar sign needed) to 855-935-2216. A first-time set-up is required.

Offertory In the Bleak Midwinter
Holst/Rosetti/Storey

Prayer

Ancient Scripture Gospel of Luke Chapter 2: 1-20

Hymn (see insert) O Little Town of Bethlehem

Reading How the Light Comes
Jan Richardson

Gift of Music Sweet Radiant Mystery
Catherine Dalton

Homily Sweet Radiant Mystery



Sharing the Light and Mystery

Hymn Silent Night

Silent night, holy night
All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heav'nly hosts sing "Alleluia,"
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night,
Child of God, Love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

[Repeat 1st verse]

Benediction

Postlude The Night of Silence
Kantor/Gruber

Join us for a New Year's Day Labyrinth Meditation and Brunch

Thursday Jan. 1, 2026, 9 a.m.

Join Rev. Lucy Bunch for a quiet meditation for the New Year at the outdoor Labyrinth. Lucy will provide a reading and question to prompt your reflections. A finger labyrinth will be available for those with mobility challenges.

After the walk we'll share brunch together. Bring a breakfast dish to share if you can; coffee & tea provided.

Bring a friend and join us for this yearly tradition!



Sweet Radiant Mystery Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

7:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 24, 2025

Rev. Lucy Bunch and Rev. Dr. Roger Jones
Ministerial Intern Sophia McKean
Worship Associate Dawn Heubner
Molly Stuart, altar design
Anthony Tavianini, Music Director
Irina Tchantceva, Pianist; Erin Byerly, flute
Vocalists: Laurie Hanshu, Laura Shears,
Carol McCormick, Mary Patt

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