Stanford Memorial Church
University Public Worship
17 December 2017
10:00 a.m.
28 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1439

OPENING VOLUNTARY  Nun komm’ der Heiden Heiland  Johann Sebastian Bach
(BWV 599)  

WELCOME  The Rev. Dr. Joanne Sanders

Please stand.

HYMN  Angels We Have Heard On High  p. 4

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING WORDS

Responses of the people are in bold.

This is the day that God has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

May God be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray:

Creator of all the Living, we give thanks for the gift of life, wonder beyond words; for the awareness of soul, our light within; for the world around us, so filled with beauty; for the richness of the earth, which day by day sustains us; for these and more, we offer thanks. Amen.

Please be seated.

READING   Praises of Prophet Muhammad
          Mawlana Rumi, *Rumi and Islam*  
          Sairus Patel

VOLUNTARY Num komm’ der Heiden Heiland  
          Anonymous (17th Century)

READING Excerpt from *A Poem for His Birthday*  
          Hesham Hassaballa  
          Stephanie Eberle

SERMON Celebrating Birthdays  
          Sughra Ahmed

Please stand.

HYMN Once in Royal David’s City  
          p. 5 – 6

PRAYERS

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand.

HYMN O Little Town of Bethlehem  
          p. 7 – 8
BENEDICTION

You are invited to be seated to enjoy the closing voluntary after the clergy has departed.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY  Nun komm’ der Heiden Heiland  Bach

UNIVERSITY PUBLIC WORSHIP
SERVICE AND PREACHER SCHEDULE
Sundays, 10:00 am unless otherwise noted

December 24
Christmas Eve Services

The Rev. Dr. Joanne Sanders
4:00 pm Family Service

The Rev. Professor Jane Shaw
*8:00 pm

January 7
Rabbi Patricia Karlin-Neumann

January 14
Sughra Ahmed
Multi-faith Service

*Service with Communion
CHRISTMAS SERVICES at
STANFORD MEMORIAL CHURCH

Sunday, December 24th

4:00pm, Christmas Eve Family Service
Children's sermon by The Rev. Dr. Joanne Sanders

Christmas Carol-sing and musical offerings by the University Organist, Dr. Robert Huw Morgan. This is a very popular service, so please arrive early. Doors open at 3:00pm. Please bring new, unwrapped toys or clothing which will be distributed to needy children.

8:00pm, Christmas Eve Festival Communion Service
Preacher: The Rev. Professor Jane Shaw

This is an elegant Christmas Eve service, with glowing candlelight and special Christmas music, featuring the University Organist, Dr. Robert Huw Morgan, and the San Jose Choral Project. This is a popular service, so please arrive early. Doors open at 7:00pm.

The 4:00pm & 8:00pm services will be broadcast live on KZSU 90.1 FM and online at: kzsulive.stanford.edu

Monday, December 25th

12:00am, Roman Catholic Midnight Mass Christmas Eve Service

12:00pm, Roman Catholic Christmas Day Mass
Robert Huw Morgan  
Holiday Organ Recital

Sunday, December 17th, 1:30 pm  
Stanford Memorial Church

Robert Huw Morgan, University Organist,  
Presents Music for the Holiday Season

Works by:
Dupré, Bach, Guilmant, Tchaikovsky and others.

All are Welcome.  
Suggested Donation: $10
ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE EXTEND OUR GRATITUDE to our volunteers Sairus Patel (Reader), Stephanie Eberle (Reader), Alex Von Hafften (Usher), and Jim Shepardson (Usher) for donating their time to assist during today’s worship service. Those wishing to assist in our worship service as readers, ushers, or Communion assistants, please email: religious-life@stanford.edu

OFFERINGS today by cash and check are in support of the LifeMoves and will be received at the main doors after today's service. Please make checks payable to LifeMoves. Located on Encina Avenue in Palo Alto, the Opportunity Center is an indoor drop-in center for single men and women, and women/families with children who are un-housed or at risk of becoming un-housed. (Formerly known as InnVision Shelter Network).

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