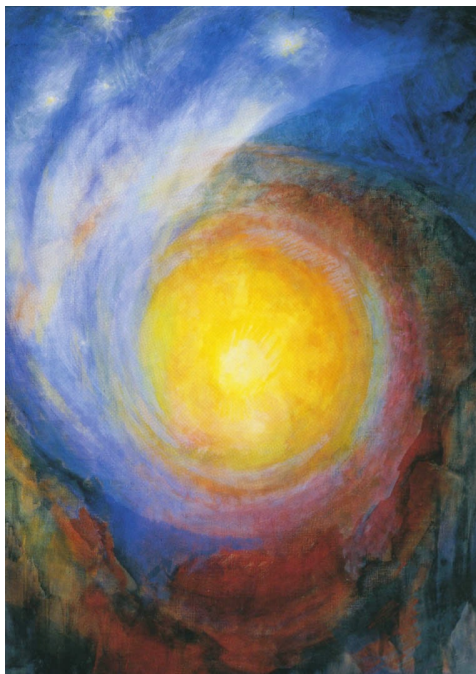


Now the hours of dark are long
And the days are short and cold.
Mary lays her gentle hands
On the sleeping heads of human beings,
And she sings her song of joy
Softly through the winter world.
May her Son be in our hearts,
His golden light upon our way.



Creation by Ninetta Sombart

Wishing you strength, joy,
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Weekly Services

Sunday 11:00 AM

Wednesday 10:00 AM

followed by the Contemplation on the Festival Prayers & Gospel Reading of the week

For Children & Families

Sundays 9:30-10:30 AM

Story, song, & activities for children

Regular Groups

Festival Contemplation Group with Rev. Liza Joy Marcato

Weekly Wednesday, 11:00 AM—12:00 PM

Weekly Contemplation of the Festival Prayers & Gospel Readings, *after the Act of Consecration*

NEW!

Remembering Those Who Have Died with Madelon Holder

Info: (212) 877-4159

First Tuesday of the Month, beginning December 7
4:00—5:00 PM

We will turn to those in our congregation who have died, as well as to those in our personal lives who we wish to remember. We'll share their names, hear a verse for the dead, and read briefly from Christian Community priests or Rudolf Steiner concerning life after death.

Conversation on the subject will follow for anyone who good like to stay. Everyone is welcome.

Advent



Sundays, Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19

Celebrating the Four Sundays of Advent for Children & All Those Young at Heart 9:30 AM Gathering Around the Advent Garden

We'll light the Advent wreath, sing songs, & hear the story of Mary & Joseph's long journey to Bethlehem through the four realms of the Creation, followed by
10:20 AM Sunday Service for Children



Sunday, December 5, 12:00—1:30 PM

Mary: Preparing an Inner Space for the Birth of Light through artistic activity, with Rev. Liza Marcato

Sunday, December 19, 12:00 PM

Coffee and Advent Singing after the service. *Please join us!*

Wednesday, December 22 11:00 AM—1:00 PM

Preparing the Church for Christmas. Please join us as we decorate and ready the spaces to receive the spirit of Christmas! Many hands needed—*Light refreshments provided!*

The Christmas Festival & the Twelve Holy Nights



December 25 to January 5

Christmas Eve, Friday, December 24, 11:00 PM

Christmas tree lighting and singing

The Threefold Christmas Blessing

The three services of Christmas at Midnight, Dawn and Daytime create together a whole picture of the birth of the child Jesus and the coming of the Christ. The Midnight and Dawn services are experienced only once a year. The Day service continues to sound from the altar throughout the twelve days of Christmas.

Please feel warmly welcomed to come celebrate together with us.

I. Midnight Service December 24/25 at 12:00 AM

II. Dawn Service December 25 at 8:00 AM

III. Daytime Service December 25 at 11:00 AM

and

10:20 AM Special Christmas Service for Children —Parents, please confirm your attendance!

Sunday, December 26, 12:00 PM

Special Christmas Meal & Singing by the Christmas Tree

December 27—January 5

The Act of Consecration of Man will be celebrated
DAILY at 10:00 AM; 11:00 AM on Sundays, & Jan. 1

Monday, December 27—Thursday, December 30

11:00 AM Christmas Contemplation:

Matthew, Mark, Luke & John: Who are the Four Evangelists? Join Revs. Liza Marcato & Gisela Wielki for an Excursus into the writers of the Gospels

Sunday, January 2, 12:00—2:00 PM

Join us for a Light Potluck Lunch, followed by **The Annunciation, the Rose, the Birth, the Star, the Kings: An Illumination of the Holy Nights - The Advent/Christmas/Epiphany Mystery - through Harp Music, Verse, Story and Song** **An Offering by Rita Costanzi**

Thursday, January 5, 11:00 AM

After the last Christmas celebration, join us for a Potluck, Pack & Sweep Party. Help prepare for the Star of Epiphany to grace our house!

Epiphany

Friday, January 6, 10:00 AM

The Act of Consecration of Man

Sunday, January 9

The Golden Star of Kings: Epiphany Reflections out of a New Star Wisdom with Jonathan Hilton

The Magi or Three Kings came to the house where the child was guided by a star. What was this star and how can we relate to it today based on a new wisdom of the stars?

Sunday, January 23, 12:00 PM

Light Potluck Lunch followed by a Poetry Sharing with the theme **The Star Which Leads the Way... Poems of Inspiration for the New Year.** Bring a Poem to share!

