

Part of our tradition is to read the “Castle Rock” poem written by resident Helen Lowrie Marshall in 1966:

Long years ago in Bethlehem
A star shone brilliant bright
Above the place where Christ was born
On that first Christmas night

And Wiseman, following its gleam
Came traveling from afar
To see the miracle that lay
Beneath that glorious Star

Tonight we light our Christmas star
In memory of that birth
Proclaiming to the world our wish
For PEACE, good will on Earth

A beacon light whose beams reach out
To lift the hearts of men,
That they may sense the wonder
Of his coming again

That travelers by earth and sky
Who journey through the night
May feel the warmth and peace and cheer
Reflected in its light

For now, as then, the star proclaims
A miracle sublime
The miracle of love reborn
Each blessed Christmastime

And, as the Star of Bethlehem
Declared the Savior’s birth
May this, the Star of Castle Rock,
Shine forth for PEACE on Earth

