

CHRISTMAS EVE
CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

December 24, 2018



PRELUDE MUSIC

“Lo, How a Rose E’re Blooming” Gilbert Martin
“Angels We Have Heard on High” Michael Helman
“Go, Tell it on the Mountain” Joel Raney
Sarah Cifani, flute
“Angel Songs” Joel Raney
Joel Lillethun, Diane Combs – piano duet
“It Came Upon a Midnight Clear” Joel Raney
Sarah Cifani, flute

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Holly Davis

Congregation, standing “O Come, All Ye Faithful” #133

Special Music “Carol of the Bells” M. Leontovich
Choir, Flute, Chimes

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

- Tyree & Wendy Kiser

This evening we light all the candles of the Advent wreath. We light the candles of HOPE, PEACE, JOY and LOVE. The center candle is the CHRIST candle.

Isaiah 9:6 – “For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.

And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

O God of hope, peace, joy and love. As Mary and Joseph welcomed you into the world, now help us welcome you into our lives. Give us courage to hope; strength to seek peace. Fill our spirits with joy; and our hearts with love. Through Jesus Christ, the Lord of all. Amen.

O come, O come Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

♪Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Desire of nations, bind all peoples in one heart and mind;
bid envy, strife, and discord cease; fill the whole world with heaven’s peace.

♪Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.



“CHRISTMAS EXPECTATIONS” Pastor Holly

Special Music “Beautiful Story” Gregg Sewell
Choir

“A PROPHET SPEAKS” Van Davis

Congregation, seated
“O Little Town of Bethlehem” #121

Special Music “Away in the Manger” Susan T. Nelson
Choir

“THE ANGEL SAID WHAT?” Andrea & Rick Croskery

“AND SO IT WAS!” Luke 2:1-20 Lee Hutchison



OFFERING & DEDICATION

“Sussex Carol” Mark Hayes
Diane Combs

Congregation, seated

“Angels We Have Heard on High” [Verses 1 & 3] #113
“What Child is This” [Verses 1 & 3] #145
“Joy to the World” [Verses 1 & 4] #134

Special Music: “Still, Still, Still” Austrian Carol
Chimes

“THE REST OF THE STORY” Pastor Holly

CANDLE LIGHTING



Congregation, standing “Silent Night” #122
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, heavenly hosts sing “Alleluia: Christ the Savior is born’ Christ the Savior is born!”

Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love’s pure light radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Silent night, holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light; with the angels let us sing Alleluia to our King: Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born.

BENEDICTION

 *Please extinguish your candle following the Benediction* 



POSTLUDE “Joy to the World” arr. Gilbert Martin

Be reminded to take your poinsettia plants at the close of service.





*“Peace with God, peace with others,
and peace in your own heart.”*

-Rick Warren



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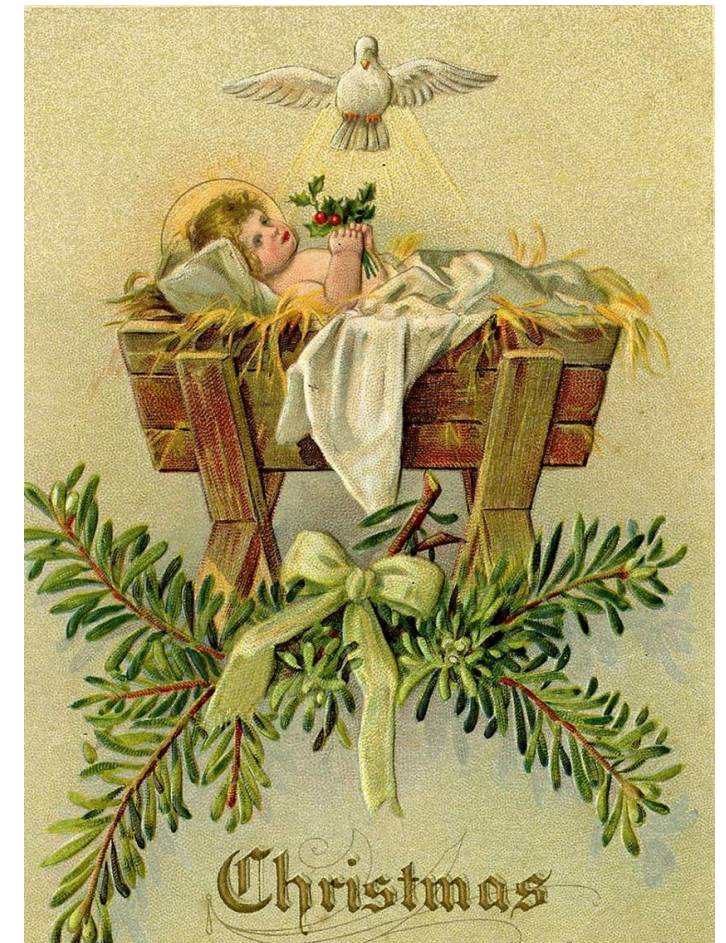
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