

The Order of Worship

Christmas Eve

December 24, 2014

6:00 p.m.

(Please refrain from clapping
tonight until after the Benediction.)

PRELUDE *In the Bleak Midwinter* arr. David M. Cherwien
Infant Holy, Infant Lowly POLISH CAROL
Gentle Mary Laid Her Child TEMPUS ADEST FLORIDUM
Still, Still, Still AUSTRIAN MELODY

OPENING SENTENCES Genesis 1:1-3
John 1:1-5, 14

INTROIT *Once in Royal David's City* IRBY
Tory Bouchillon, solo

♠ CAROL 140 *Once in Royal David's City* IRBY
(stanzas 2-4)

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE Revelation 21:1-4
Ukrainian Bell Carol arr. Hanson
Handbell Choir

REFLECTION

♠ CAROL 123 *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear* CAROL
SCRIPTURE Isaiah 40:1-11

"He Shall Feed His Flock" G. F. Handel
(from *Messiah*)
Bill Cobham, trombone Alice Walker, organ

SCRIPTURE Micah 5:2

CAROL 121 *O Little Town of Bethlehem* ST. LOUIS
(congregation seated)

SCRIPTURE Luke 1:26-38
Matthew 1:18-25

CAROL 145 *What Child Is This* GREENSLEEVES
(congregation seated)

REFLECTION

Gesu Bambino Pietro Yon
Tory Bouchillon, solo Alan Bunn, piano

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:1-7

CAROL 115 *Away in a Manger* MUELLER

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:8-20

CAROL 119 MENDELSSOHN

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
Adriane and Sophia Hawley, duet
(Congregation joins at end for repeat of stanza 1.)

REFLECTION

♠ CAROL 113 *Angels We Have Heard on High* GLORIA

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 9:6

Beautiful Star of Bethlehem

Gracie Bates
Perri and Dan Walden
(Those who are able will gather in a circle around the
sanctuary. Please do not go into the choir loft or behind
the pulpit.)

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PASSING THE LIGHT

♠ CAROL (see insert) *Silent Night, Holy Night* STILLE NACHT
Perri Walden, violin Dan Walden, guitar

♠ CHARGE Isaiah 60:1-3
Leader: Tonight is the night for which we have been
waiting.

**People: We have gathered as a people of hope,
peace, love and joy.**

Leader: The light of the world has come.

People: Joy to the World!

♠ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (see insert)

Joy to the World (stanzas 1 and 4) ANTIOCH
Perri Walden, violin Dan Walden, guitar

✦BENEDICTION

Isaiah 55:12

✦POSTLUDE

arr. Samuel Metzger

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Alice Walker, organ

✦Please stand if you are able.



Pastor: William B. Wade, Jr.

Music Director: Alan Bunn

Organist: Alice Walker CAGO, AAGO

Sound Engineer: Ken Walker

Opening Sentences: Patrick Carmichael

Closing Sentence: Emily Bunn

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