

Sandi Perl, Pastor Elly Stempien, Organist
Ron Miller, Choir Director

Lights will dim as the service begins

Lighting of Advent Candles

Christmas Prayer

***Hymn - Go Tell It On The Mountain**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

P: Rejoice, for God is with us — Emmanuel.

C: In the darkness of our world shines God's holy light.

P: Now there is reason to hope, to love, to laugh, to live.

C: God is truly with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God! Amen

***Hymn - O Come All Ye Faithful UMH 234**

***OPENING PRAYER**

Gracious God, With joy and thanksgiving we gather as your people. We have come to hear again the timeless story of Christ's birth. In the excitement of this night, quiet our hearts that we may know the peace and fullness of this holy time. Shine, O Light, in the darkness of our world. Sing, O angels, in the stillness of our hearts, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those God favors." This we pray in the name of the Child of Bethlehem. Amen

Anthem Born A Mighty King

Scripture Isaiah 9:2, 6-7, (p 638) John 1:1-2, 4-5 (p 91)

Kids Christmas Video

Scripture Luke 1:26-38 (p 56), Matthew 1:18-25 (p 1)

Child of Peace - Aimee Perry

Scripture Luke 2:1-5 (p 58)

***Hymn - O Little Town of Bethlehem UMH 230**

Scripture Luke 2:6-7 (p 58)

***Hymn - Away in the Manger UMH 217**

Scripture Luke 2:9-14 (p58)

***Hymn - The First Noel UMH 245**

Scripture Luke 2:9-18 (p 58) and Matthew 2:1-11 (p 2)

***OFFERTORY/ DOXOLOGY (p 95) (the offering will support Safe Harbors of the Finger Lakes)**

Most gracious God, thank you for sending Jesus to be the Savior of the world. You fulfilled your promises in astounding ways! He is your greatest gift to humankind. People around the world see Christmas decorations and wonder about the significance of Jesus. Let our congregation serve as faithful witnesses of your love through our words and actions. Use our gifts and offerings to bring the light of Christ to people who long for your grace. We pray in the beautiful name of Jesus. Amen. (Isaiah 62:6-12)

Anthem - Venite Adozemus Dominum

Hymn - Silent Night (candles will be lit as we sing)

***GOOD NEWS**

Christ the Savior is born.

Go forth in the strength of the Spirit

to ponder and proclaim the good news. Amen

FWS –Faith We Sing UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

***please rise if you are able**

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December 24, 2017
Christmas Eve