

# The Order for Worship and Celebration

Christmas Eve

December 24, 2014

6:30 p.m.

## PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

“*Night Song*” by Keith Snell  
Solomon Han, trombone; Taemin Han, piano

“*O Come, O Come Emanuel*” Traditional Carol  
Megan Wheelock, vocal solo; Taemin Han, piano

“*Three Carols of Comfort and Joy*” Traditional English Melody, arr. Lee Gengler  
Grace Han, flute, Taemin Han, piano

“*O Holy Night*” by Adolphe C. Adam, arr. John F. Wilson  
Miah and Taemin Han, piano and organ

“*Four Old English Carols*” by Gustav Holst, arr. Walczak  
Sanctuary Choir

## WELCOME

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are here because we have heard a promise of peace  
**People:** *And we have faith its day will come.*  
Leader: We have heard a rumor of justice  
**People:** *And we have faith its day will come.*  
Leader: We have heard a whisper of hope  
**People:** *And we have faith its day will come.*  
Leader: We have heard of the birth of the Christ-child  
**People:** *And we have faith his day is here.*  
Leader: GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST!  
**People:** **GLORY TO GOD! CHRISTMAS IS HERE!**

### \*PRAYER OF ADORATION

\*CAROL “*O Come, All Ye Faithful*” #41, Hymnal

## LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Leader: God came into the world so that none would live in darkness.

**People:** *Glory to God in the highest!*

Leader: The light shines in the darkness

**People:** *and the darkness does not overcome it.*

Leader: This is the good news for all people: to us is born a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord.

**People:** *And things will never be the same.*

Leader: The world has been transformed.

**People:** *It is made new with hope, peace, joy and love.*  
*(the candle is lit)*

Leader: Let us pray:

**People:** *Source of light, shine in our lives and in your world with your transforming power. Through Jesus Christ. Amen.*

## CAROL

“*The First Nowell*” (verses 1 and 6)  
*Please remain seated*

#56, Hymnal

## THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 3:8-13

Jan Schwab

## SECOND LESSON

Genesis 22:15-18

## SPECIAL MUSIC

”*Watchman, Tell Us of the Night*”

David Kabel, vocal solo; Miah Han, organ

Alan Hovhaness

## THIRD LESSON

Isaiah 9:2, 6

Dan Klamm

## FOURTH LESSON

Isaiah 11:1-6

## CAROL

“*It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*” (verses 1 and 4)  
*Please remain seated*

#38, Hymnal

## FIFTH LESSON

Luke 1:26-35

Dan Davis

## SIXTH LESSON

Matthew 1:18-23

## BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Offertory

“*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*”

Sanctuary Choir; Grace Han, flute

Dale Wood

*Tonight’s special offering will be given to the “Coats for Kids” program of Waterloo Schools*

The Poole Family

PRAYER OF BLESSING

SEVENTH AND EIGHTH LESSON DRAMA      Luke 2:1-18 and Matthew 2:1-2, 10-12

Reader 1: Madison Fairbanks

Reader 2: Matt Sprengelar

Mary: Alannah Sage

Joseph: Solomon Han

Angels: Megan Wheelock and Helena Mananga

Shepherds: Zachary Pruis and Mitchell Sage

Wisemen: Eric Dew, Mallory Sage and Brody Powell

NINTH LESSON      John 1:1-5, 10-14      Rev. Amy Wiles

**SENDING CHRIST'S LIGHT INTO THE WORLD**

INTRODUCTION OF      “*Silent Night*”      Michael Burkhardt

Deidre Shea, flute; Megan Sage, clarinet; Taemin Han, piano

*The lights will be dimmed. Ushers will light the candles of the first person in each pew representing the sending of Christ's Light into the world. As individual candles are lit, tip unlit candles to receive the flame from your neighbor. Please hold all burning candles upright. Thank you.*

\*CAROL      “*Silent Night, Holy Night*”      See Insert

\*PRAYER

\*CAROL      “*Joy to the World*”      #40, Hymnal  
verses 1, 2 and 4

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE      “*Joy to the World*”      Michael Bedford  
Miah Han, organ

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## Silent Night, Holy Night

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;  
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