

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE  
DECEMBER 24, 2007

8:00 p.m.  
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*"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given." (Isaiah 9: 6)*

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

**"Meditation"** by Vladimir Bakaleinikoff  
Larry Huntington, trombone  
Taemin Han, piano

**"Noël (Grand Jeu et Duo)"** by Louis-Claude Daquin  
Miah Han, organ

**"In Dulci Jubilo"** by Dietrich Buxtehude  
Martha Delargey, Jacqueline Miller, Keith Brown – vocalists  
Grace Han, Peggy Huntington- flutes,  
Larry Huntington, double-bass

**"In the Bleak Midwinter"** by Jill Jackson  
Sara Ball, vocal solo  
Taemin Han, piano

**"Fanfare for Christmas Day"** by Martin Shaw  
Chancel Choir  
Lynn Martin, trumpet

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Roxie  
We extend a special welcome to all guests. **You come as a guest and leave as family. May God bless you this Christmas and throughout the coming year.** CDs and DVDs are available of tonight's worship. CDs are \$2.00 and DVDs are \$5.00. Please order through the church office.

If you did not receive a candle (or a battery-operated candle for the littlest children), please ask an usher for what you need. Please do not light them until we sing "Silent Night." The children's battery-operated candles are lit by turning the gold base of the bulb. Do not turn the bulb itself.

PREPARE FOR THE BIRTH

PRELUDE Kyle Ball, vocal solo  
Miah Han, organ and Handbell Choir  
**"Winds through the Olive Trees"**  
Arr. by Dale Wood, Carol Melody by Robert Wetzler

CALL TO WORSHIP John 3:16 Katie Elliott

WE PREPARE FOR THE BIRTH OF JESUS BY LIGHTING  
THE ADVENT CANDLES Katie Elliott & Zhen Li

L: We light this candle as a sign of God's hope for the world, a hope that overcomes despair, a hope named Jesus.  
**P: We thank you, O God, for hope that overcomes despair**  
L: We light this candle as a sign of God sending us peace.  
**P: Come, Lord Jesus, Prince of Peace into our world and into our lives.**  
L: We light this candle as a sign of the joy we find in the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.  
**P: We thank you, God, for filling us with the joy of Christ.**  
L: We light this candle as a sign of God's love given to us through Jesus.  
**P: God so loved us that he sent us his only Son. Help us, Lord, to love one another.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #41 O Come, All Ye Faithful

\*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER Sara Ball  
LORD and GOD..... (join in the LORD'S PRAYER)  
**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation**

but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

\*THE PEACE Sarah Johnson  
Liturgist: The Peace of the Lord Jesus be with you.  
**People: And also with you.**  
Please stand and greet one another, saying, "Merry Christmas, the peace of Christ be with you," or something similar.

OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECY: THE CHILD WILL BE BORN IN BETHLEHEM  
Micah 5:2-5 Sarah Johnson

HYMN #43 O Little Town of Bethlehem

OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECY: A SON WILL BE GIVEN TO US WHO SHALL BE "THE PRINCE OF PEACE"  
Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7 Kayda Focht

HYMN #53 What Child is This

THE PROPHET ISAIAH TELLS US THAT FROM THE LINEAGE OF JESSE SHALL COME ONE ON WHOM THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD WILL REST  
Isaiah 11: 1-6 Kayda Focht

HYMN #48 Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

NEW TESTAMENT PROPHECY: ANGEL TELLS JOSEPH OF JESUS' COMING BIRTH  
Matthew 1: 18-25 Zhen Li

## JESUS IS BORN

ANTHEM Chancel Choir  
"Behold that Star of Glory" Brass Ensemble  
Jay Althouse

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE Stephanie Fox & Zhen Li  
L: We light this candle praising God for the greatest gift of love the universe has known: Jesus, the liberating Lord  
P: **We praise you, O God, for your gift of grace, love and salvation through Jesus, our Lord.**

JESUS IS BORN IN BETHLEHEM  
Luke 2: 1-7 Stephanie Fox

\*HYMN #25 Away in a Manger

ANGELS TELL SHEPHERDS ABOUT JESUS' BIRTH  
Luke 2: 8-14 Julie Piatek

HYMN #38 It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

SHEPHERDS VISIT BABY JESUS Julie Piatek  
Luke 2: 15-20

\*HYMN #31 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

MESSAGE "A Simple Truth" Pastor Bill

## GIVE THANKS FOR THE GIFT OF JESUS

### GIVE BACK TO GOD OUR GIFTS

Pastor

(The Joy Offering Envelopes are in your bulletins. The offering is given to retired pastors and missionary workers and to Racial Ethnic Presbyterian Colleges. All Monetary Loose Offering tonight will go to the "Feed the Hungry" Program. Please pass the Friendship pads and sign your name, address, e-mail and phone, so we can properly greet you if you are visiting with us today).

### MUSIC AT THE OFFERING

Keith Brown, vocal

"O Holy Night"

Taemin Han, piano

Adolphe Adam

## REMEMBERING THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

### EXPLANATION OF CANDLE LIGHTING

**During the introduction to Silent Night the pastors will light their candles from the Christ candle, then light the candles of the college and career young people, who will pass it to everyone. Please pass on the light to your neighbor by holding the lit candle upright and the unlit candle sideways. Light the battery-operated candles by turning the gold base under the bulb. Do not turn the bulb itself. When Jesus is referred to in "Silent Night," raise your candle to symbolize the world's need to see the "Light of the World."**

### INTRODUCTION OF "SILENT NIGHT" Taemin Han, piano

F. Gruber, arr. by Clarence Kohlmann

\*HYMN #60 Silent 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;  
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

### CHARGE/BENEDICTION

Pastors

### POSTLUDE

Organist

"Joy to the World"

Arr. by Michael Bedford

\* Congregation stands.

## HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND BLESSED NEW YEAR

Next Sunday, December 30<sup>th</sup>, the casual Morning Glory Worship is at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Joe Moore is the Worship Leader and Julie Huttenlocher, the preacher.

The Traditional Worship is at 10:15 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Jim Huttenlocher is the Liturgist and Julie Huttenlocher is the Preacher. It is a Family Sunday so there is no Sunday School. Children, don't forget to bring your favorite Christmas gift to share in the Children's Message.