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"WELCOMING, LOVING, SERVING, WHERE GOD HAS NO LIMITS"

PRELUDE MUSIC "Mary, Did You Know?" - Lowry & Greene Harry Buch & Rob Cervenak

"Angels We Have Heard On High" -arr. Humphrey Turner Cathy Fafrak, Organist

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

CAROL "O Come All Ye Faithful"

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come, and behold him, born the King of angels;
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
Glory to God, glory in the highest;
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT TO MARY Luke 1:26-38

Tom & Nicci Avalon

CAROL "Who Would Think That What Was Needed"

Jessika & Bennett Petersen

Who would think that what was needed To transform and save the earth Might not be a plan or army Proud in purpose, proved in worth? Who would think, despite derision, That a child should lead the way? God surprises earth with heaven, Coming here on Christmas Day.

Shepherds watch and sages wonder, monarchs scorn and angels sing; Such as place as none would reckon hosts a holy, helpless thing; Stabled beasts and passing strangers watch a baby laid in hay; God surprises earth with heaven, Coming here on Christmas Day.

Centuries of skill and science span the past from which we move, Yet experience questions whether with such progress we improve. In our search for sense and meaning, lest our hopes and humor fray, God surprises earth with heaven, Coming here on Christmas Day.

THE BIRTH OF JESUS Luke 2:1-7

Stacie Yates

CAROL "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

The Bixler Family

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie; Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by. Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light; The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars together, proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to God the King, and peace to all on earth!

THE ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE SHEPHERDS Luke 2:8-14

Jen Viliminovic

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

"The Soul Felt Its Worth"

Rev. Luke Lindon

CAROL

"O Holy Night" – Adolphe Adam

Ryan Routh

O holy night the stars are brightly shining, It is the night of the dear Saviour's birth; Long lay the world in sin and sorrow pining, Till he appeared and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices, For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn! Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices. O night divine! O night when Christ was born! O night divine! O night, O night divine!

Led by the light of Faith serenely beaming, With glowing heart by His cradle we stand;
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming, Here came the Wise Men from the Orient land.
The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger, In all our trials born to be our Friend;
He knows our need, to our weakness no stranger, Behold your King! Before Him lowly bend!

Behold your King! Before Him lowly bend!

Truly he taught us to love one another; His law is Love and His gospel is Peace;
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother, And in His Name, all oppression shall cease.
With hymns of joy in grateful chorus raising, Let all within us praise His Holy Name!
Christ is the Lord! O praise His name forever. His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!
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SHEPHERDS VISIT THE MANGER Luke 2:15-20

CAROL "Away in a Manger"

Gathering Band

Away in a manger, no crib for his bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus no crying he makes. I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky, and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

LESSONS OF LIGHT

Deb Waldron

John 1:1-6 John 1:10-16

PASSING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

CAROL "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.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Joy to the World"

Trumpet Trio

Lorna Lindsley, Bella Lindsley, Emerson Lindsley

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