

A CHILD  
HAS BEEN  
BORN FOR US,  
A SON IS GIVEN  
TO US;  
AUTHORITY RESTS  
UPON HIM; AND  
HE IS NAMED  
JESUS.



# CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE

7:00 PM –SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2016

*Christmas Eve*

## **Prelude**

## **Statement of Purpose**

### **\*Call to Worship**

Leader: Dazzle light on a dark night.

**People: Angelic songs on a silent night.**

Leader: Wonderful news!

**People: Surprising Good News.**

Leader: The promised Messiah is born!

**People: A new Prince of Peace has come.**

Leader: Rejoice! For on this star-bright, holy night –

**People: The angels still sing!**

Leader: They bid us seek the holy in the midst of the ordinary.

**People: They call us to look into the eyes of a child and see God.**

Leader: They urge us to sing and dance all the way to Bethlehem.

**All: Rejoice! For on this star-bright, holy night,  
the angels still sing.**

## **\*The Lighting of the Christ Candle**

### **\*Hymn**

*“Joy to the World”*

#143

### **\*Invocation**

**☞ Come, Let Us Go, Even Unto Bethlehem ☞**

**The Announcement to Mary** **Luke 1:26-38**  
*“Hark the Herald Angels Sing” (vss. 1&3)* #150

**The Birth of Jesus** **Luke 2:1-7**  
*Solo – Ms. Allison Nutting*

**The Angels Announce the Good News** **Luke 2:8-14**  
*“Angels We Have Heard on High”* #155

**The Shepherds Came with Haste** **Luke 2:15-20**  
*“O Holy Night”* David McCrickard  
And Choir

**The Light of the Word** **John 1:1-5**  
*“What Child is This”* #162

**Christmas Meditation**

**☞ SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION ☞**

All followers of Christ are invited to share in the Lord’s Supper.

**Communion Hymn** #148  
*“O Come, All Ye Faithful” (vss. 1&4)*

**Words of Institution**

**Prayers of Blessing** *Special Christmas Music*  
*Please come forward to receive the Lord’s Supper*

**\*Closing Hymn** *(printed on back)*  
*“Silent Night”*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

*\*You are invited to stand*

**Please extinguish your candles and place them in the baskets as you leave the sanctuary.**  
*The offering received will help support Homeless Week*



## *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;

Christ, the Savior is born, Christ, the Savior is born

