

CHRISTMAS EVE

December 24, 2018

12, 2, 4, 5:30 and 7 p.m. • Sanctuary

*"But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid.
I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.'"*

Luke 2:10

ORGAN PRELUDE *Music of Christmas*
Roderick Gorby

INTROIT, "*Hodie*"Leavitt
The Sanctuary Choir, Jim DeJarnette

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Joy to the world! The Lord is come. Let Earth receive her King!

People: Let every heart prepare Him room, and Heaven and nature sing!

Leader: With joy let us worship our newborn King!

* HYMN OF PRAISE, No. 179, "*Joy to the World!*" (vs. 1, 2, 4)

* PRAYER OF PRAISE

* SONG OF PRAISE

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

COMMUNITY PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against Thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and what we have left undone. We have not loved Thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Thy will, and walk in Thy ways, to the glory of Thy Name. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF PERSONAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* SONG OF RESPONSE

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in; be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.

Words: Phillips Brooks; Public Domain

*Congregation standing

**Ushers will seat worshippers at this time and during hymns.

CHRISTMAS LITANY OF SCRIPTURE AND SONG

Matt Holtzman and Zoe Anderson, Worship Leaders

ISAIAH 9:2, 6

“Time for Joy”

LUKE 2:1–7

“Away in a Manger”

LUKE 2:8–14

“Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”

MATTHEW 2:1–6

“We Three Kings of Orient Are”

MATTHEW 2:7–12

“The First Noel”

GIVING OF OURSELVES IN TITHES AND OFFERINGS

“Star Carol”.Rutter

SERMON

GREAT JOY

Luke 2:10-11

Tim McConnell

CANDLE LIGHTING

*We light our Christmas Eve candles as a symbol
of the light of Christ spreading to the whole world.*

(Lighted candles should be held upright so the next person can safely receive the flame.)

SONG OF PREPARATION

“Shine on Us” Smith

CANDLELIGHT HYMN, *“Silent Night! Holy Night!”*

(At the conclusion, please extinguish candles.)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

* HYMN OF REJOICING, No. 187, *“O Holy Night”* (vs. 1, 3)

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE, *“Joy to the World!”* Gorby/Watts

*Congregation Standing

ASSISTING IN SANCTUARY WORSHIP SERVICES

12 p.m. – John Goodale, Tom Pipkin | 2 p.m. – John Goodale, Lydia Lockhart
4 p.m. – John Goodale, Jennifer Holz | 5:30 p.m. – John Goodale, Jennifer Holz
7 p.m. – Jennifer Holz, Greg Hartnett

MUSICIANS

Marj Killick, Piano; Jason Crowe, Bass; Scott Barbier, Percussion;
Chris Lawson, Stephen Hock, Trumpets

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GATHERING MUSIC Chris Cullins, Worship Leader

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SONGS OF WORSHIP

WELCOME AND OFFERING

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SERMON

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Tim McConnell

CANDLE LIGHTING

BENEDICTION

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP CENTER SERVICES

Tom Pipkin, Lydia Lockhart, Chris Cullins

MUSICIANS

Greg Hartnett, Renee Brown, Ben Bubeck,
Brittany Brown, Blair Stewart, John Salinas, Colin Trusedell

CHRISTMAS EVE

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10:45 p.m. • Sanctuary

*"But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid.
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GATHERING MUSIC Celtic Mountain Band

WELCOME AND LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

HYMN, *"God Rest Ye, Merry Gentlemen"*

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE, *"Away in a Manger"*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

CHRISTMAS LITANY OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

SERMON

GREAT JOY

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Tim McConnell

SONG, *"Quiet Down"*

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

CANDLE LIGHTING

CANDLELIGHT HYMN, *"Silent Night! Holy Night!"*

HYMN OF REJOICING, *"Joy to the World"*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE, *"Lord of the Dance"*

ASSISTING IN THIS SERVICE

Jennifer Holz, Greg Hartnett, Lydia Lockhart

CELTIC MOUNTAIN BAND

Jim Ware, hammered dulcimer and guitar; Steve Alvarez, bodhran; Bethany Alvarez, flute and whistle; Alison Ware, keyboards; Brittany Ware Brown and Beth Harmon, fiddle; Zach Brown, bouzouki; Forrest Alvarez, mandolin; Callum Ware, accordion