



Christmas Eve Candlelight Service of Lessons & Carols Welcome Home!

Gathering Music Jarret Larson, Music Director

Welcome and Greeting Our Neighbors

Bell Call

The Bringing Of The Light Isaiah 9:2; 6-7

Call To Worship

One: Tonight old dreams die,
and new dreams come to life.
The promise is fulfilled.

Many: Our candles illuminate our story.
Dawn invades the midnight.
The Light of the World has come.

All: Glory to God in the highest,
peace on Earth, goodwill to all.

Invocation

* Hymn #145 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (Vs. 1 & 2)

Scripture Reading Luke 2:1-7

Hymn #157 "Away In A Manger" (Vs. 1 & 2)

Lighting Of The Advent Wreath

Marion and Jarrett Larson, Nico and Rosie

Special Music "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"
- Larson

Scripture Reading Luke 2:8-20

Hymn #132 "Angels We Have Heard On High"
(Verses 1, 2 & 3)

Time with the Young & Young at Heart

Scripture Reading Matthew 2:1-11

Hymn #166 "We Three Kings" (Vs. 1 & 5)

Offering (For the work of the Deacons.)

Offertory "Silent Night" - Larson

* Doxology #132 "Angels We Have Heard On High"
(Refrain)

Prayer Of Dedication

Scripture John 1 (Selected)

Meditation "Grace Upon Grace"
Reverend Michael P. Catanzaro

* Hymn #125 "Joy To The World!" (Vs. 1 & 4)

The Lighting Of The Candles

* Candlelight Hymn "Silent Night! Holy Night!"

* Charge & Benediction

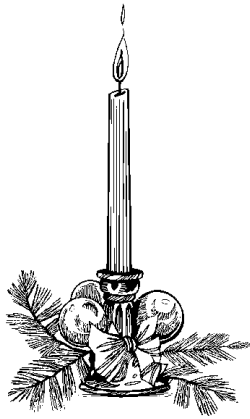
Postlude "Fantasia on ANTIOCH" - Larson

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.
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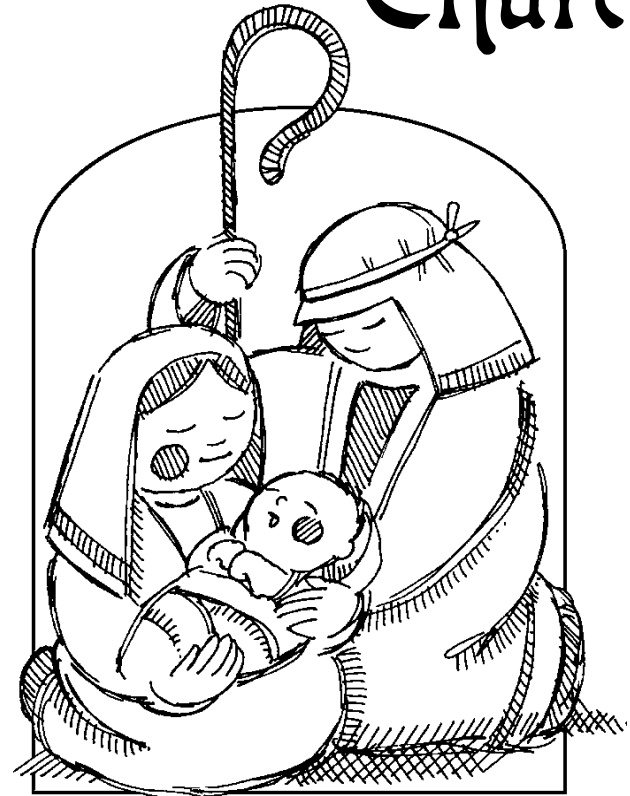
Silent night, holy night
Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly host sing alleluia
Christ the Savior is born,
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Silent night, holy night
Son of God, love's pure light.
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at thy birth,
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Merry Christmas

The First Presbyterian Church



Christmas Eve On The Park 2022

Poinsettias Given In Loving Memory



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by Bill Webb

Loved Ones
by Lora & David Gibson

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by Mark Erickson

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We light this candle for peace (A purple candle is lit.)

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Now, we light the Christ candle

as our redeemer draws near;

hearing the promise of such redemption

from the prophet Isaiah:

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God.

Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her

that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid.

Congregation: A voice cries out:

In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.

Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
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Unison Prayer: God of promise, God of our salvation,
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