



Christmas Eve 2024
8:00 P.M. Service

Prelude

Seasonal Musical Selections

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

"O Come, Let Us Adore"

"Coventry Carol"

arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

arr. Michael Helman

Dr. Paul Thorlakson and Jonathan Lefever

Highland Bell Choir

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Gus Beaulieu, Piano

Words of Welcome

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Prayer of Adoration

Choral Anthem

"Once in Royal David's City"

John Ness Beck

Lighting of Advent Candles

Rev. Ann & Rev. Ken Osborne

People of faith, we have been journeying toward Bethlehem.

At last we arrive at the manger of God's gift of incarnate love.

Tonight we light the Christ candle at the center of the Advent wreath.

Because Christ is the center of our lives and the Light of the world.

May the light of this flame draw us closer to God in our midst

And the Spirit illumine our path to share hope, peace, love and joy.

*Carol #31

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 9:6-7

Rev. Dr. Bob Burns

Soprano Solo

Recitative, Chorus, and Aria from *The Messiah*

G.F. Handel

"Rejoice Greatly, O Daughter of Zion" (Luke 11:9-13)

Abigail Martin, Soprano Soloist

New Testament Reading

Luke 2:1-21

Sarah Hostetter

Carol #44

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Christmas Message

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Choral Anthem & Solo

"O Holy Night"

arr. B. Krogstead

Abigail Martin, Soprano Soloist

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Matt Drumheller

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.

Introduction to the Offering

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Bell Offertory

“The Babe, the Son of Mary”

arr. Jason Krug

* Doxology 592

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Choral Anthem

“Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine”

arr. Howard Helvey

Invitation to the Festival of Light John 1:1-5,14

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Lighting of Candles from the Christ Candle

(When lighting candles, please hold the lit candle upright.)

Carol #60

“Silent Night, Holy Night”

*Benediction

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

*Carol #40

“Joy to the World”

Organ Postlude

***PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT**

Please pick up the poinsettias you ordered after the conclusion of the Christmas Eve service you are attending. Thank you, from the Deacons

Greeters: Joan Alexander, Sue and Jim Hess, Sharon and Tom Kennedy, Kim Buzzard, Sonteary and Saron Keat
Ushers: Johnny Wood, David and Marion Drain, Bill Delong, Phil Smith, Randy Heller, Donna Kinsey, Rita Simmers

MUSIC: DR. PAUL THORLAKSON, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
JONATHAN LEFEVER, ORGANIST
DANIEL DROZ, BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR
A/V: GUS BEAULIEU and KEN OSBORNE



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