

“Growing God’s Kingdom”



CHRISTMAS EVE

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TONIGHT’S INTRODUCTION:

In winter's deepest night, we welcome the light of the Christ child. Isaiah declares that the light of the long-promised king will illumine the world and bring endless peace and justice. Paul reminds us that the grace of God through Jesus Christ brings salvation to all people. The angels declare that Jesus' birth is good and joyful news for everyone, including lowly shepherds. Filled with the light that shines in our lives, we go forth to share the light of Christ with the whole world.

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*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, CHRISTMAS EVE December 24, 2022 -- 7:00 PM

CHRISTMAS EVE PRELUDE CONCERT (A Time for Meditation and Prayer)

<i>"Angels We Have Heard on High"</i>	Arr. by M. Bober
<i>"Christmas Hymn"</i>	Arr. by T. Doran
<i>"Emmanuel" and "Mary, Did You Know?"</i>	B. McGee
<i>"The First Noel"</i>	T. Smith
<i>"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"</i>	L. Smith
<i>"It Came upon the Midnight Clear"</i>	T. Smith
<i>"The Holly and the Ivy"</i>	R. Anderson
<i>"We Three Kings"</i>	T. Smith
<i>"O Little Town of Bethlehem"</i>	W. Whipple
<i>"Joy to the World"</i>	Arr. by M. Bober
<i>"Ave Maria" (Solo – Andrea Cameron)</i>	Schubert

* GREETING (from the rear...please stand, if able)

P: Today Christ is born: Alleluia, alleluia! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

* LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

* PROCESSIONAL CAROL *"Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful"* Green Hymnal #45

* PLACING OF THE CHRIST CHILD IN THE CRECHE Ella Harris

CHILDREN'S HOMILY Pastor Leister

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray...

C Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ANTHEM

"Hallelujah"

L. Cohen

I. THE LIGHT FORETOLD

LESSON -- Isaiah 11:1-10

Hannah Ehrisman

¹Jesse's family is like a tree that has been cut down. A new little tree will grow from its stump. From its roots a Branch will grow and produce fruit. ²The Spirit of the Lord will rest on that Branch. He will help him to be wise and understanding. He will help him make wise plans and carry them out. He will help him know the Lord and have respect for him. ³The Branch will take delight in respecting the Lord. ⁴He will always do what is right when he judges those who are in need. He'll be completely fair when he makes decisions about poor people. When he commands that people be punished, it will happen. When he orders that evil people be put to death, it will take place. ⁵He will put godliness on as if it were his belt. He'll wear faithfulness around his waist. ⁶Wolves will live with lambs. Leopards will lie down with goats. Calves and lions will eat together. And little children will lead them around. ⁷Cows will eat with bears. Their little ones will lie down together. And lions will eat straw like oxen. ⁸A baby will play near a hole where cobras live. A young child will put his hand into a nest where poisonous snakes live. ⁹None of those animals will harm or destroy anything or anyone on my holy mountain of Zion. The oceans are full of water. In the same way, the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord. ¹⁰At that time the man who is called the Root from Jesse's family line will be like a banner that brings nations together. They will come to him. And the place where he rules will be glorious.

DIALOGUE (Isaiah 2, 9, 11)

Brea Beward

L: There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse:

C: And the people who have walked in darkness shall see a great light.

L: A branch shall grow out of the root of Jesse;

C: And those who have dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them shall see a great light.

L: And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him;

C: And they shall learn from him the ways of the Lord.

L: He shall reign on the throne of David forever.

C: And the nations shall flow to his mountain.

ALL: A shoot shall come forth from the stump of Jesse, and the people who have walked in darkness shall see a great light.

CAROL

"Lo, How a Rose is Growing"

Green Hymnal #58 (vss. 1 to 4)

II. THE LIGHT GIVEN

LESSON -- Luke 1:26-38

Tammy Smith

²⁶ In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷ to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." ²⁹ But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰ The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³² He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³ He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." ³⁴ Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" ³⁵ The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. ³⁶ And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. ³⁷ For nothing will be impossible with God." ³⁸ Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

DIALOGUE (Micah 5:2-4)

Julia Martin

L: But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are little to be among the class of Judah,

C: From you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.

L: Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in travail has brought forth;

C: Then the rest of his brethren shall return to the people of Israel.

L: And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.

C: And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth.

ALL: From you, O Bethlehem, from you shall come forth one who is to be ruler of Israel.

CAROL

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Green Hymnal #41

III. THE LIGHT PROCLAIMED TO THE WORLD

LESSON -- Luke 2:8-20

Christie Holderman

⁸There were shepherds living out in the fields nearby. It was night, and they were looking after their sheep. ⁹An angel of the Lord appeared to them. And the glory of the Lord shone around them. They were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy. It is for all the people. ¹¹Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you. He is Christ the Lord. ¹²Here is how you will know I am telling you the truth. You will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth and lying in a manger." ¹³Suddenly a large group of angels from heaven also appeared. They were praising God. They said, ¹⁴"May glory be given to God in the highest heaven! And may peace be given to those he is pleased with on earth!" ¹⁵The angels left and went into heaven. Then the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem. Let's see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." ¹⁶So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph and the baby. The baby was lying in the manger. ¹⁷After the shepherds had seen him, they told everyone. They reported what the angel had said about this child. ¹⁸All who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹But Mary kept all these things like a secret treasure in her heart. She thought about them over and over. ²⁰The shepherds returned. They gave glory and praise to God. Everything they had seen and heard was just as they had been told.

L: Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Judah.

C: For to us a son is born.

L: Not like the covenant which I made with their fathers when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant which they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord.

C: To us a son is given.

L: But this is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord.

C: And the government shall be upon his shoulder.

L: I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

C: And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

L: And this will be a sign for you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.

ALL: Behold, the days are coming when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, says the Lord.

ANTHEM

“Gesù Bambino”

P. Yan

IV. THE LIGHT SPREAD TO US: THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

* LESSON -- John 1:1-5, 9-14 (please stand, if able)

Hope Miller

¹In the beginning, the Word was already there. The Word was with God, and the Word was God.

²He was with God in the beginning. ³All things were made through him. Nothing that has been made was made without him. ⁴Life was in him, and that life was the light for all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness. But the darkness has not understood it.

⁹The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world. ¹⁰The Word was in the world that was made through him. But the world did not recognize him. ¹¹He came to what was his own. But his own people did not accept him. ¹²Some people did accept him. They believed in his name. He gave them the right to become children of God. ¹³To be a child of God has nothing to do with human parents. Children of God are not born because of human choice or because a husband wants them to be born. They are born because of what God does. ¹⁴The Word became a human being. He made his home with us. We have seen his glory. It is the glory of the one and only Son. He came from the Father. And he was full of grace and truth.

CHRISTMAS EVE HOMILY

Pastor Leister

CAROL

“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

Green Hymnal #60

* NICENE CREED (all)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Slone Smith

WL With wonder and thanksgiving for Christ's coming into the world, we pray for the church, the life of the earth, and the whole human family.

A brief silence.

WL Your infinite love is born to us this night. With choirs of angels the church proclaims the good news. Send us out as messengers of the hope that has come to all people. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

WL You are pleased to dwell with your creatures and the whole earth sings for joy. Renew the splendor of creation from the smallest cell to the widest galaxies. Guide us to be wise stewards of your gifts for the sake of generations to come. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

WL Your authority is over the nations. Break the rod of oppression in every land and free all people from fear. Bring peace where there is war, compassion where there is suffering, and healing where there is disease. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

WL You cherish those who are most vulnerable. Protect infants and children, and bless those who care for them. Watch over women giving birth, attend the dying, and relieve any who are in pain. Shelter refugee families and those who have no home. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

WL Your lovingkindness embraces everyone in need. Help any for whom this season is lonely or joyless. Comfort those among us, or known to us, who are experiencing distress of body or mind, missing loved ones, or grieving. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

WL You welcome those who have died into the joyous light of glory. We give thanks for the saints of every time and place who have praised you with lives of faith and humility. Inspire us by their example to love you by serving others. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

WL Pondering the mystery of eternal love made flesh in Christ Jesus, we commend all for whom we pray to the mercy of God.

C Amen.

* PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

(The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord from their pews at whatever Level of physical contact with which they are comfortable).

* OFFERING PRESENTATION AND COMMUNION ELEMENTS

* SUNG OFFERTORY "Let All Together Praise Our God" (revised wording)

**Let all together praise our God before his glorious throne;
For he will open heav'n above to give us his own Son, to give us his own Son.**

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P Glory to God in the highest.

C And peace to his people on earth.

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

* COMMUNION CANTICLE

"On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry" #36 Green Hymnal (vss. 1, 3 & 5)

* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P We give you thanks, Father, through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, whom you sent in this end of the ages to save and redeem us and to proclaim to us your will.

He is your Word, inseparable from you, through whom you created all things, and in whom you take delight.

He is your Word, sent from heaven to a virgin's womb.

He there took on our nature and our lot and was shown forth as your Son, born of the Holy Spirit and of the virgin Mary. He, our Lord Jesus, fulfilled all your will and won for you a holy people; he stretched out his hands in suffering in order to free from suffering those who trust you.

He is the one who, handed over to a death he freely accepted, in order to destroy death, to break the bonds of the evil one, to crush hell underfoot, to give light to the righteous, to establish his covenant, and to show forth the resurrection, taking bread and giving thanks to you, said: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

In the same way he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, then, his death and resurrection, we take this bread and cup, giving you thanks

that you have made us worthy to stand before you and to serve you as your priestly people.

Send your Spirit upon these gifts of your church; gather into one all who share this bread and wine; fill us with your Holy Spirit to establish our faith in truth, that we may praise and glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ; through whom all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, both now and forever.

C Amen.

* THE LORD'S PRAYER ['trespasses'] **(all)**

C 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

* INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Glory to God in the highest! Come to the table of peace.

* COMMUNION CAROL *"It Came upon the Midnight Clear"* Green Hymnal #54

COMMUNION *"Lullaby Jesus"* Arr. by O. Griffin

(If you desire, you may take a gluten free wafer located on the oak pedestal on the step in the front of the chancel).

DISTRIBUTION

["At the Chancel Rail" – come forward by the CENTER aisle; take a communion cup from the table by the front pew. Approach the altar to partake, than move to the chancel rail to pray. Then, return to your seat using the left or right SIDE aisle]. (Fellowship cups are available for those who wish to remain in your seat for communion)

* BLESSING

P God bless you and keep you, + Jesus grant you grace and truth, and the Spirit send peace upon your hearts, now and forever.

C Amen.

* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P God our redeemer, you have fed us at this table with gifts of grace, truth, and life. As you have gathered us in joy, send us forth as messengers of your peace. Make us shine with the good news of your glory, born to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

LIGHTING FROM THE CHRIST CANDLE

Harrison Mummah

(The assistants will light the candle of the first worshipper in each pew, who will then pass it to the next person. Please do not tilt the lighted candles as you pass the light to those with unlit candles.)

- * POST-COMMUNION CAROL *“Silent Night, Holy Night!”* Green Hymnal #65
- * DISMISSAL
 - P Christ the Savior is born! Go in peace. Proclaim this good news.
 - C **Thanks be to God.**

- * CLOSING CAROL *“Go Tell It On the Mountain”* Green Hymnal #70

- * POSTLUDE *“Postlude for Christmas”* F. Mendelssohn

(The candles remain lit, symbolizing that the light of the Christ Child is shining in our world!)

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- Candle Lighting.....Thea Beward & Julia Martin
- Crucifer.....Brea Beward
- Acolytes.....Hope Miller & Haley Mummah
- Offering Plates & Communion Elements.....Stella, Sofia & Gabby Reed
- Bulletins & Candles.....Nick Reed, Braedon Walton, Zeb Berry, Paige Martin & Brea Beward

WELCOME TO ALL!

WITH CHRIST’S LOVE AND GOD’S GRACE, we welcome all who worship at Messiah this evening. If you are a VISITOR or GUEST, we invite you to record your visit in the guest book provided in the Narthex. If you are seeking a church home, please speak to the Pastor. Our fellowship in Jesus Christ is open and extended to all persons who confess His Lordship over all life. Young children are also encouraged to join us in our worship experience! We are so thankful that you joined us for worship on this Christmas Eve!

VISITORS AND GUESTS ARE INVITED TO COMMUNE WITH US THIS EVENING. The Sacrament of Holy Communion is offered to all who are baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and who recognize the Sacrament as the promise of the presence of the Body and Blood of our Lord. Baptized children are also welcome to receive the elements at the Lord’s Table at Messiah with the guidance and consent of their parents or guardians. **Persons who may not wish to receive the bread and wine of the Lord’s Supper are still welcome to come to the table to receive a blessing. To do so, please fold your hands and bow your head when you approach the pastor.**

FOR YOUR COMFORT, restrooms are located in the hallway through the double doors of the Adult Sunday School Room and to the left.

IN THE NAME OF THE CHRIST CHILD we cordially welcome all parents and children and all who worship with us at the Family Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. May love and peace, God’s gift to us in the Christ Child, fill all our hearts this night and always.

A SPECIAL “THANK YOU” to all those who are taking part in the service: the choirs and choir directors, our organists/pianists, Bob St. Clair and Slone Smith, for providing the wonderful organ/piano music for the Prelude Concert, and especially to our youth, young adults and members of Messiah, and to all those who worship here tonight.

ATTENTION KIDS! At the time of the children's sermon, all children are invited to come forward to gather around the Pastor in the chancel area.

MATTHEW 25 FUND – All loose offering at tonight's service will go to the Matthew 25 Fund to help those in need throughout the year. You can also donate to the fund by writing Matthew 25 Fund on your regular offering envelope and the amount you wish to contribute.

WE WISH ALL OF YOU a Christmas filled with blessings from God and His peace which passes all understanding.

WELCOME

This evening we would like to welcome you to our celebration of the birth of the Christ. This festival is one of the most beautiful and moving of the church year reminding us that God has freely chosen to submit himself to the limits, pains and suffering of this world. He has done this that He might dwell with us in the flesh and share our experience that we might have real hope through Him.

It is through this incarnation, being made flesh, which Christ's sacrifice for our sins on Good Friday is made possible and the reality of Christ's resurrection on Easter is proven to be for you.

This evening the forgiveness of sins given for you is once again made incarnate as Christ offers himself in His Holy Supper. It is in this meal where Jesus says to us, "This is my body given for you," that once again you receive the undeniable, physical assurance that God's grace applies to you specifically this day.

The life of every Christian is dependent on this very grace from God. We hope and pray that you will join with the Messiah Family to regularly partake of the assurance of God's grace offered in this meal. You are invited to come and join with us as we gather weekly to give thanks to God for His many blessings and to ask His Spirit be upon us as we serve Him and our neighbors.

Thank you again for blessing us with your presence this evening! We hope that you are also blessed by your participation with us and we pray that the peace of Christ may be upon you and yours in this Holy Season.





THANK YOU TO ALL WHO GAVE POINSETTIAS to decorate the church in honor of Christ's birth. You may pick up your poinsettia(s) after the Worship Service on Christmas day.

TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

In memory of our parents, Ansel and Jean McNaight, by Anne McNaight and Janie Shearer.

In loving memory of Abram and Ruth Shoener and Daniel and Thelma Dreibelbis by the Stephen Dreibelbis family.

In memory of loved ones by Ray and Jane Miller.

In memory of Jean, George and Bill Flint and George, Sr. and Mary Lorraine Hazard by the George Hazard, Jr. family.

In honor of family and friends by George and Marylou Hazard.

In honor of my mom, Florence Williams, by Ron and Debbie Meinsler.

In honor of my sister, Vicki Suoja, by Debbie Meinsler.

In memory of all our loved ones gone before by Ron and Debbie Meinsler.

In memory of our parents, Richard and Daisy Van Gavree and Paul and Dorothy Patterson, by Rich and Cindy Van Gavree.

In memory of my grandparents, John and Hulda St. Clair and Lester and Grace Parsons, by Bob St. Clair.

In loving memory of my father, Robert St. Clair, Sr. by Bob St. Clair.

In loving honor of my mother, Jeanette St. Clair, by Bob St. Clair.

In memory of George and Evelyn Shirk and Gerald and Evelyn 'Nootie' Davis by family.

In memory of my grandparents by Kenton Stuck.

In memory of our beloved wife and mother, Kay Stuck, by Ken and Kenton Stuck.

In memory of loved ones by Judy and Herman Armstrong.

In honor of our children, Susan, Carol and Kenneth and their spouses, Reg, John and Tawny, by Ken and Ruth Mummah.

In honor of our grandchildren, Harrison, Haley and Olivia, by Ken and Ruth Mummah.

In memory of our parents, Dale H. and Charlotte Henry and Harry and Martha Mummah, by Ken and Ruth Mummah.

In loving memory of Barry T. Stratford by Betty and family.

In memory of loved ones by Don and Barb Geedey.

In memory of Butch Pines and Tammy Pines Walton by Sandy Pines and family.

In honor of our grandson and nephew, Braedon Walton, by Sandy Pines and Dan and Michelle Stoner.

In memory of Robert E. 'Hap' and Dorothy Smith, Lloyd and Flossie Showers and Clarence and Beulah Leister by Pastor Sam and Linda Leister and family.

In memory of Dorothy and Karen Swab and Rick Fultz by Nick, Bethanie, Thea and Brea Beward.

In memory of Johnny, Donald, Sr., Margaret, Donald, Jr., and Ronnie Beward by Nick, Bethanie, Thea and Brea Beward.

In honor of our Pappy and Mam-Maw Leister and Nammy Beward by Thea and Brea Beward.

In memory of John and Helen Sieber by George and Kay Varner and family.

In memory of Martin and Ruth Varner by George and Kay Varner and family.

In honor and memory of loved ones by Larry and Diana Wise.

In honor of our parents, Ken and Ruth Mummah and Pamela Campbell, by Ken and Tawny Mummah.

In honor of our children, Harrison, Haley and Olivia, by Ken and Tawny Mummah.

In honor of Tirzah, Chris and Nick by Tammy Brackbill.

The large Poinsettia on the piano in the front of the sanctuary was placed in memory of Joyce Yetter by Vernon Gunnion and family.

The large variegated Poinsettia was placed in honor of God's people at Messiah by Pastor Sam and Linda Leister

MEMORIALS FOR LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE

In memory of our parents, Ansel and Jean McNaight, by Anne McNaight and Janie Shearer.

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In honor of our children, Harrison, Haley and Olivia, by Ken and Tawny Mummah.

In memory of my former students: Sam Brown, Kyle Knepp, Susan Hoffman Colyer, Allison McClure Garver, Tammy Pines Walton, Susan Huss Dare, Ryan Hackett, Randy Thompson, Michael Hockenberry, Jeffrey Marks, Antonio Wells, Bill Swartz, Jed Phelan, Zachary Pellman, Kathy Beaston, and Jackie Gilliland Swartwood by Cindy Van Garvee.