

A SERVICE OF CANDLELIGHTING  
AND  
A CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION  
Christmas Eve, 2014  
6:00 p.m.

Gathering  
Prelude  
Pianist

\*Greeting  
(L) Unto us is born this night a Savior, who is Christ, the Lord:  
(P) **O come, Let us Adore Him!**

\*Opening Hymn “Angels We Have Heard on High” 238

\*Opening Prayer (*in unison*)  
(L) The Lord be with you.  
(P) **And also with you.**

Let us pray: *A brief silence.*  
***Eternal God, by the birth of Jesus Christ you gave yourself to the world. Grant that, being born in our hearts, he may save us from all our sins, and restore within us the image and likeness of our Creator, to whom be everlasting praise and glory, world without end. Amen.***

Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 9:2b-7	Page 607-608 (O.T.)
Epistle Lesson	Titus 2:11-14	Page 205 (N.T.)
Anthem		Choir
Gospel Lesson	Matthew 2:1-2, 11	Pages 7-8 (N.T.)
Meditation	“The Next 24 Hours”	Pastor Robert Reeves

Prayer of Thanksgiving\*\*  
***We give you thanks, O God, that you have come to us through Jesus Christ, both in the midst of time and history in the city of Bethlehem, and in the timeless presence of Christ’s Spirit as we receive the gifts of bread and wine. Send us out into the world rejoicing, ready to share your love with the people we meet; through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.***

Breaking of the Bread & Giving of the Cup

Prayer After Communion  
(L) We give you thanks, most gracious God, for allowing us to share in this feast as your family and to be fed with the bread of heaven; give us grace that we all may grow in love, glorifying you in all things, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
(P) **Amen.**

\*Candlelighting (*See Instructions On Back of Bulletin*)

\*Hymn “Silent Night” Printed On Back

Dismissal With Blessing\*\*  
God is light! Let us walk in the light as God is in the light.  
Go in peace. God is with you. **Amen.**

Postlude  
Pianist

***\*The Congregation Standing***

***\*\*Taken from Chalice Worship***

**ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US** this evening are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please come forward to the Table by the **center** aisle.

After receiving, collect your candle and holder and return to your seat by the **outside** aisles. The Ushers will light the candles at the end of each row. As the flame of the Christ Candle is passed, ***tip your unlit candle over to the lighted candle and receive the light.*** Then allow the next person in your row to do the same from your candle.

**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!