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December 24, 2021

Christmas Eve

December Memory Verse - John 14:1

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me.”

The service is under the control of the Holy Spirit.

****Please stand if you are able.***

GATHERING & WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

MEMORY VERSE

John 14:1

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

7:00 p.m. - The Slavin Family

11:00 p.m. - The Andrison Family

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

“A Christmas Alleluia”

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 96:1-2

L: Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

P: **Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.**

***HYMN NO. 246**

“Joy to The World”

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room, and heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n,
and nature sing.
2. Joy to the world, the Savior reigns! Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.
3. No more let sins and sorrows grow, Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found, far as far as the curse is found.
4. He rules the world with truth and grace; and makes the
nations prove
The glories of His righteousness, and wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love, and wonders, wonders, of His love.

1st READING

Isaiah 9:2-7

HOMILY

SPECIAL MUSIC

7:00 p.m. - “Away in a Manger” - Temple Chimes

11:00 p.m. - “Manger Medley” - Chancel Choir

PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Ave Maria” - David Lyons

***ADVENT DOXOLOGY (tune – “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”)**

“Glory be to God the Father, glory be to Christ the Son,

Glory to the Holy Spirit, glory to the Three-in-One.

Here we offer to you gladly all the gifts that you impart,

As we glory in your Presence, giving from a grateful heart.”

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

2nd READING

Titus 2:11-14

HOMILY

ANTHEM

7:00 p.m. - "Bethlehem" - SonShiners
Sophie Platt, soloist
11:00 p.m. - "Bethlehem" - Chancel Choir

**3rd READING
HOMILY**

Luke 2:1-14

CANDLE LIGHTING

***HYMN NO. 239**

"Silent Night, Holy Night"

1. 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.
2. 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!
3. Silent night, holy night! Son of God love's pure light.
Radiant beams from Thy holy face with dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth! Jesus Lord, at Thy birth
4. 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

TOLLING THE CHRISTMAS BELL

BENEDICTION

***MUSIC OF PARTING**

"God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"



Merry Christmas

God bless each and everyone of us



Christmas Eve

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