



# Christmas Eve

DECEMBER 24, 2020  
4:00PM

Call to Worship

Rev. Elizabeth Murray

Leader: We are a people who have walked in deep darkness.

**All: We come this night, seeking to be a people who have seen a great light.**

Leader: Light comes to us on this holiest of nights.

**All: The light of a small babe, the light of a bright star**

Leader: The light of God's love

**All: Shining for all the earth.**

Leader: Come and see... the child has been born! Lights are shining!

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

1. Prophets

Isaiah 7:14

Lighting of the Hope Candle

2. Holy Family

Luke 2:1-5

Lighting of the Peace Candle

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

O little town of Bethlehem how still we see thee lie  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee to-night

3. Shepherds

Luke 2:8-16

Lighting of the Joy Candle

*Joy to the World*

4. Magi

Matthew 2:1-9

Lighting of the Love Candle

*We Three Kings*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION and PARDON

Rev. Jim Rogers

*The true light that enlightens all has come into the world.  
That light shines on in the darkness, and the darkness has never been able to put it out.  
This is the good news: God has heard our confession. God has forgiven our sin.*

**All: Thanks be to God!**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. Kim Eanes

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.  
It is right, and a good and joyful thing...we praise your name and join their  
unending hymn:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of  
your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of  
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Holy are you...as we proclaim the mystery of faith.*

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

*Pour out your Holy Spirit... now and forever.*

**Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Anthem*

*Angels We Have Heard On High*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**All: We are filled with joy for we have heard good news of great joy.  
We are filled with love for we have tasted the sign of God's great love.  
We are filled with hope for the angels still sing in our world  
And there is a Light for us to follow.**

5. Jesus Christ is Born!

Luke 2:6-7

*O HOLY NIGHT*

Oh holy night  
The stars are brightly shin-ing  
It is the night of our dear Savior's birth  
Long lay the world  
In sin and error pin-ing  
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth  
Fall on your knees  
Oh hear the an-gel voices  
Oh night divine  
Oh night when Christ was born  
Oh night di-vine  
Oh night Oh night divine  
Oh night di-vine  
Oh night oh night divine

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

*Silent Night (first verse solo and v 2-4 congregational)*

*Carol by candlelight here, candles are raised at the last verse*

*\* do not extinguish your candles when the song ends \**

Benediction

***You will be invited to "change your light" - at this invitation you will extinguish your candle,  
"changing the light" to smoke that fills the world with the light of Christ.***

*Postlude*

*Born is the King*

Use your car keys to make a joyful noise!