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Merry Christmas!

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7:30 P.M. Service

Acolytes

Wilson Pope
David Pope

Altar Guild

Camille Abrams
Mary Long

Communion Stewards

David & Billie Sloan

Ushers

Nick Baskin
Walker Canada
Andrew Pope



The Church Office & LLP will be **CLOSED** for Christmas Tuesday, December 25th & Wednesday, December 26th.

We will also be **CLOSED** on Tuesday, January 1st in observance of News Year's Day.

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Christmas Eve

Order of Worship

The paraments are white, symbolizing the anticipation of the Christ child.

December 24, 2018 / 7:30 p.m.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

O Holy Night

elevate! Band

Adolphe Adams

***CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***GREETING**

Leader: He has delivered us from the dominion of darkness

People: and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son

Leader: in whom we have redemption,

People: the forgiveness of sins.

Leader: He is the image of the invisible God,

People: the firstborn of all creation.

***HYMN 238**

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

GLORIA

PRAYER OF THE DAY *(Prayed in Unison)*

O Holy One, heavenly angels spoke to earthly shepherds and eternity entered time in the child of Bethlehem. Through the telling of the Christmas story, let our temporal lives be caught up in the eternal in that same child, that we might join shepherds and all the heavenly host in praising the coming of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Revised common lectionary prayers

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Pastor: Christ is the light of the world!

People: A light no darkness can extinguish.

Pastor: Today, angels far and near sing tender lullabies; well-worn fabric full of years holds in the warmth of parental love; animals and shepherds crowd in tight, glowing with adoration, while a muffled cry squeezes out to greet the world.

People: Today we give thanks for every child among us. Each new birth—regardless of circumstance—reminds us of the preciousness of life, the potential of tomorrow, the promise of God.

Pastor: On this Christmas Eve, we light the Christ candle for the child-King, the infant-Redeemer, the lowly-Lord. And now we know... He is born and nothing will ever be the same!

OFFERING

Offertory

What a Glorious Night

elevate! Band

Sidewalk Prophets

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessing flow.

Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Noel! Noel! Noel! Noel!

Born is the King of Israel.

THE FIRST NOEL

***HYMN 240**

“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

MENDELSSOHN

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 2:1-20

SERMON

Rev. Michael Arant

MEDITATION

Light of the World

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Lauren Diagle

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(insert)*

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

† COMMUNION HYMNS

Halleluiah

elevate! Band

Leonard Cohen

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***239**

“What Child is This”

GREENSLEEVES

“Silent Night”

TILLE NACHT

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

May he who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with the sweetness of inward peace and goodwill; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

***POSTLUDE**

“Go, Tell It On the Mountain”

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† You will receive a candle after having communion. Please light your candle during the fourth verse of Silent Night.

**All who are able, please stand.*