

We Come Together

Prelude... *(this is an opportunity for us to appreciate the gift of music and prepare our hearts for worship)*

Greeting

Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace and goodwill toward all.

All: For out of God's own being, Jesus has come to bring light and love to all people.

One: Jesus is Emmanuel, God with us, come to gather our tears and laughter, our work and our play, into God's loving embrace.

All: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace and goodwill toward all.

Opening Prayer: *(unison)*

God of this new day, we open ourselves to hear your call to new life. As we anticipate the new year and all its possibilities, help us to always remember that nothing is ever finished, God is not done with us. Indeed, God is ever making our lives, our families, our communities, and our world a brighter place. Fill us with your peace and light, make the world so calm and bright. In the name of Jesus, we offer this prayer. Amen.

We Light the Candles

***Hymn:** "Once in Royal David's City"

VU#62

We Listen to the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Isaiah 9: 2,6,7

The Story

***The Carol:** "Still, Still, Still" **VU#47**

Scripture: Psalm 34: 1-10

The Story

***The Carol:** "Angels from the Realms of Glory" **VU#36**

Scripture: Luke 2: 1-20

The Story

***The Carol:** "Jesus, Our Brother" **VU#56**

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering:

***Sung Dedication:** "O Little Town of Bethlehem" v.3 **VU#64**

Offertory Prayer: (*unison*)

Gifted by Your grace, we offer You what You have given us, O God, and pray that these gifts may be used for the sharing of love, the doing of justice, and the giving of peace. Amen.

The Scripture: Revelation 21: 1-6

The Story

***The Carol:** "Go Tell it on the Mountain" **VU#43**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

Scripture: Titus 2: 11-14

The Story

***The Carol:** "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" **VU#58**

***Commissioning:**

One: Every day of the week ahead is a Christmas Day.

**All: A day in which Christ is, and will be;
A moment into which the holy one has come,
And a moment which anticipates the reign of peace.**

One: Let us then, live as a Christmas people.

**All: Let us be a people filled with God here and now. Let us
be compassionate, loving, justice-seeking friends of
Jesus. Let us also be a people with a light in our
windows, awake and ready for the Messiah's return.**

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction** "The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

Postlude

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Volunteer Schedule:

<i>Ushers:</i> Dec. 29 Trudy S. & John
<i>Screens:</i> Dec. 29 Tracy Jan 5 Kevin Jan 12 Erik

This Week's Calendar

Tues	10:00am	Craft Group	Kitchen
Wed	<i>Happy New Year!</i>		

Please note the office will be closed from Dec. 31st- Jan. 2nd.

Scouts, Embers, Rumi After School Learning Centre, Church of Pentecost and other groups use the church spaces during the week

Announcements:

Grocery Cards are Here! This is an excellent way to support your church and one of our major fundraisers.