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WELCOME:

Joy to the World the Lord has Come!!! We are thankful that you are able to worship with us this Christmas to hear the good news that our Savior came to take away our sins and to give us eternal life in heaven.

As you worship with us today, we want you to know that we have some worship aids that you may like to make use of including large print bulletins and listening devices that are directly linked to our sound system. If you would like to make use of these worship aids, please ask one of our ushers for assistance.

If you are in need of a restroom, we have two bathrooms located in the narthex area and we have more downstairs. If you need a quiet place to take your child, we have two cry rooms also located in the narthex area. We also have an elevator that will take you to the basement if you like. If you are in need of any other assistance while worshipping with us today, feel free to talk with one of our ushers.

If you are a guest or visitor and would like to learn more about our church, please speak with our pastor.

May God richly bless your Christmas worship as you hear the good news of how God sent his one and only Son to save us from our sins.

Pre-service Music:

Christmas Caroling by the Congregation

Congregation: CW 55 "O Come All Ye Faithful"

1. Oh, come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
Oh, come ye, oh, come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him, born the King of angels

Refrain: Oh, come, let us adore him, Oh, come, let us adore Him,
Oh, come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord

2. God from true God, and Light from Light eternal,
Born of a virgin, to earth He comes,
Only begotten Son of God the Father.

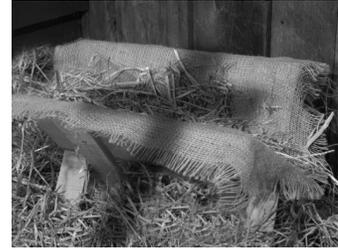
Refrain

3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above.
Glory to God, all Glory in the highest.

Refrain

Congregation: CW 50 "Once in Royal David's City"

1. Once in Royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed;
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.
2. He came down to earth from heaven who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable, and his cradle was a stall;
With the poor and mean and lowly lived on earth our Savior holy.
3. But our eyes at last shall see him Through his own redeeming love,
For that child, so dear and gentle, is our Lord in heav'n above,
And he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.
4. Not in that poor, lowly stable with the oxen standing by
shall we see him, but in heaven, set at God's right hand on high.
Then like stars his children crowned, all in white, his praise will sound.



Adult Choir and Congregation: "Holy Is Your Name"

Arr. Tory Alonso

Adult Choir will sing the verses. The congregation is invited to join on refrains.

Verses



1. My soul is filled with joy
2. I am low - ly as a child,
3. I pro - claim your pow'r, O God!
4. To the hun - gry you give food,
5. In your love you now ful - fill



as I sing to God, my Sav - ior.
but I know from this day for - ward
You work won - ders for your ser - vants;
send the rich a - way with noth - ing.
all you prom - ised to your peo - ple.



You have looked up - on your ser - vant,
that my name will be re - mem - bered,
you have scat - tered the proud - heart - ed,
In your mer - cy you are mind - ful
I will praise you, God, my Sav - ior,



you have vis - it - ed your peo - ple.
and the world will call me bless - ed.
you have lift - ed up the low - ly.
of the peo - ple you have cho - sen.
ev - er - last - ing is your mer - cy.

Refrain



And ho - ly is your name through all gen - er - a - tions!



Ev - er - last - ing is your mer - cy to the peo - ple



you have cho - sen, and ho - ly is your name!

Congregation: CW 56 “Gentle Mary Laid Her Child”

1. Gentle Mary laid her child, lowly in a manger;
There he lay, the undefiled, to the world a stranger.
Such a babe in such a place – Can he be the Savior?
Ask the saved of all the race, who have found his favor.
2. Angels sang about his birth; Wise men sought and found him.
Heaven’s star shone brightly forth, Glory all around them.
Shepherds saw the wondrous sight, Heard the angels singing.
All the plains were lit that night; All the hills were ringing.

Congregation: CW 57 “Go Tell It on the Mountain”

Refrain: Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills, and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching o’er silent flocks by night,
Behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light.

Refrain

The shepherds feared and trembled when lo, above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Savior’s birth.

Refrain

Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born;
And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn.

Refrain

Adult Choir: “Immanuel”

Arr. John Purifoy

Congregation: CW 61 “Hark, The Herald Angels Sing”

1. Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!”
Joyful, all you nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!”

Refrain: Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come, offspring of a virgin’s womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, Hail the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus, our Immanuel!

Refrain

Congregation: CW 54 “Where Shepherds Lately Knelt”

1. Where shepherds lately knelt and kept the angel's word,
I come in half-belief, a pilgrim strangely stirred;
But there is room and welcome there for me,
But there is room and welcome there for me.



2. In that unlikely place I find him as they said:
Sweet newborn Babe, how frail! and in a manger bed,
A still, small voice to cry one day for me,
A still, small voice to cry one day for me.

3. How should I not have known Isaiah would be there,
His prophecies fulfilled? With pounding heart I stare:
A child, a son, the Prince of Peace for me,
A child, a son, the Prince of Peace for me.

4. Can I, will I forget how Love was born, and burned
Its way into my heart unasked, unforced, unearned,
To die, to live, and not alone for me,
To die, to live, and not alone for me?

Adult Choir: “The Christmas Gift”

Arr. Pepper Choplin

“SEE WHAT GREAT LOVE”

Children's Christmas Service

On the Lavish Love of God

1:30 PM December 23, 2021

6:30 PM December 24, 2021

*Please note: Today our children will lead us in the worship of our Savior and God.
Since this is a worship service to glorify God, we ask that no pictures be taken during the service. Thank you.*

Congregation will participate in all items in bold.

Please Stand

Minister: “See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!
And that is what we are!”

Children and Congregation Processional Hymn: “Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising” (CW 42)

Stanza 1&2 – Congregation, Stanza 3 – Gr. 5-8, Stanza 4 – K-4, and Stanza 5 – Congregation & Children

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| 1. Come, your hearts and voices raising,
Christ the Lord with gladness praising;
Loudly sing his love amazing,
Worthy folk of Christendom. | 2. See how God, for us providing,
Gave his Son and life abiding;
He our weary steps is guiding
From earth’s woe to heav’nly joy. |
| 3. Christ, from heav’n to us descending
And in love our race befriending,
In our need his help extending,
Saved us from the wily foe. | 4. Jacob’s Star in all its splendor
Beams with comfort sweet and tender,
Forcing Satan to surrender,
Breaking all the pow’rs of hell. |
| 5. Gracious Child, we pray you, hear us;
From your lowly manger cheer us.
Gently lead us and be near us
Till we join th’angelic choir. | |

Be Seated

1. GOD'S LOVE AT CREATION

Gr. K-8 Song: "Of the Father's Love Begotten" stanza 1 (CW 35)

1. Of the Father's love begotten Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega, He the source, the ending he,
Of the things that are, that have been, And that future years shall see
Evermore and evermore.

Narrator: Little children sing, "God is so good, he's so good to me." God has always been good to his creation. The song words we just heard tell us that God's love was at work even before the world was made.

Narrator: The very first verse of the Bible says, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." Mountains, seas, and rivers; every form of plant life; the universe with the sun, moon, and all the stars; all the living creatures on land and in the water. For all of it, he simply said, "Let there be . . ." and there it was. And then . . . and then he created once more. This time, the Bible chronicles a different process altogether.

Gr. 3-4: "Then God said, 'Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.' So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them." (Genesis 1:26,27)

Gr. 5-6: "God blessed them and said to them, 'Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.'" (Genesis 1:28)

Narrator: Genesis chapter 2 goes on to describe the way God created the first human:

Gr. K-2: "Then the LORD God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being." (Genesis 2:7)

Narrator: And God provided for every need of this special creation, his children.

Gr. 7-8: "Now the LORD God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed. The LORD God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground—trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil." (Genesis 2:8,9)

Children and Congregation: "See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!"

Gr. 5-8 Song: "The Tree of Life" (CWS 754)

1. The tree of life with ev'ry good In Eden's holy orchard stood,
And of its fruit so pure and sweet God let the man and woman eat.
Yet in this garden also grew Another tree, of which they knew;
Its lovely limbs with fruit adorned Against whose eating God had warned.
2. The stillness of that sacred grove Was broken as the serpent strove
With tempting voice Eve to beguile And Adam to by sin defile.
Oh, day of sadness when the breath Of fear and darkness, doubt and death,
Its awful poison first displayed Within the world so newly made.

3. What mercy God showed to our race, A plan of rescue by his grace:
In sending One from woman's seed, The One to fill our greatest need—
For on a tree uplifted high His only Son for sin would die,
Would drink the cup of scorn and dread To crush the ancient serpent's head!
4. Now from that tree of Jesus' shame Flows life eternal in his name;
For all who trust and will believe, Salvation's living fruit receive.
And of this fruit so pure and sweet The Lord invites the world to eat,
To find within this cross of wood The tree of life with ev'ry good.

2. GOD'S LOVE WHEN HUMANS SINNED

Narrator: The perfect world God made for his perfect children did not last. Genesis 2:15-17 tells us more about the beginning days of God's new earth:

Gr. 5-6: "The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die.'"

Narrator: Why would God give such a command? The threat of death does not sound very loving at all. Placing the tree in the garden, along with the command not to eat from what is always there in front of them, seems like a recipe for disaster. With our limited reason, we might wonder how that could be good.

Narrator: God had made the entire universe for his children—the cycle of day and night, food for nourishment, a suitable place in which to live, and beauty beyond compare. What love God had shown for his children! And that completely out of his goodness, for they had done nothing to earn it or deserve it.

Narrator: What could they do to show their love for him in return? How could God's children express their love to their most generous God?

Narrator: God gave them a way. They could eat from ANY tree . . . except one. In walking past the forbidden tree, they were able to show their love for God by following what he said. God says that his children listen to his voice, and they follow him (John 10:27). But Genesis chapter 3 tells us what happened not long after God gave his children a way to express love for him.

Gr. 7-8: "Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden?'"

Gr. K-2: "The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, but God did say, "You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'"

Gr. 7-8: "'You will not certainly die,' the serpent said to the woman. 'For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.'"

Gr. 3-4: "When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it." (Genesis 3:1-6)

Congregation Hymn: "All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall" stanza 1 (CW 378) to the tune of CW16

1. **All mankind fell in Adam's fall; one common sin infects us all.
From one to all the curse descends, and over all God's wrath impends.**

Narrator: What happened next shows us again the great love of our God and Father. Sin had come. Death was inevitable. But God promised a Savior who would defeat death and the devil and restore peace between God and people. Please stand, and let's read together these words from Genesis chapter 3:

Please Stand

Congregation: "Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent deceived me, and I ate.' So the LORD God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, Cursed are you above all livestock and all wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life.'"

Children and Congregation: "And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

Congregation Hymn: "All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall" stanza 4 (CW 378) *to the tune CW16*

4. But Christ, the second Adam came to bear our sin and woe and shame,
to be our life, our light, our way, our only hope, our only stay.

Children and Congregation: "See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!"

Be Seated

3. GOD'S LOVE IN HIS FAITHFULNESS

Gr. K-8 Song: "Of the Father's Love Begotten" stanza 3 (CW 35)

3. This is he whom heav'n-taught singers Sang of old with one accord;
Whom the Scriptures of the prophets Promised in their faithful word.
Now he shines, the long-expected; Let creation praise its Lord
Evermore and evermore.

Narrator: The Savior did not come right away. Adam and Eve did not know it, but it would be many centuries before the Savior would be born. God lavished his love on his children by reminding them of his promise over and over. Again and again, he renewed his promise through his believers and prophets. The prophet with perhaps the most to say about the coming Savior lived eight hundred years before the Savior was born. His name was Isaiah, and he said this:

Gr. 3-4: "Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel." (Isaiah 7:14)

Narrator: "The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, . . . and he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." (Isaiah 9:2,6)

Gr. 3-4 Song: “Savior of the Nations, Come” (CW 2)

1. Savior of the nations, come; Virgin’s Son, make here your home.
Marvel now, O heav’n and earth, That the Lord chose such a birth.
2. Not by human flesh and blood, By the Spirit of our God
Was the Word of God made flesh, Woman’s offspring, pure and fresh.
3. Wondrous birth! O wondrous Child Of the virgin undefiled,
Though by all the world disowned, Yet to be in heav’n enthroned!
4. From the Father’s throne he came And ascended to the same,
Captive leading death and hell—High the song of triumph swell!
5. Praise to God the Father sing, Praise to God the Son, our King,
Praise to God the Spirit be Ever and eternally.

Children and Congregation: “See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!”

4. GOD’S LOVE IN BETHLEHEM

Gr. K-8 Song: “Of the Father’s Love Begotten” stanza 2 (CW 35)

2. Oh, that birth forever blessed When the virgin, full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving, Bore the Savior of our race,
And the babe, the world’s Redeemer, First revealed his sacred face
Evermore and evermore.

Narrator: Finally, the time came. The time was right. Over three hundred reminders from the Old Testament prophets had revealed details of the great love the Father lavishes on us. When that set time had come, all the events came together in one moment in history. Listen to the account from Luke 2:1-20.

Gr. 3-4: “In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to his own town to register. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child.

PreK: While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.”

PreK Song: "In a Little Stable"

1. In a little stable
Far across the sea
Was a little Baby
Just Like you and me
2. Not a bed or cradle
Not a pillow deep
But a lowly manger
Was his place to sleep
3. Shepherds stood around him
Angels watched with care
For this Babe was Jesus
Lying, smiling there.
4. Oh, I love this Jesus
Who was little then
For I know he loves me
Little though I am.

Children and Congregation Song: "Silent Night" (CW 60)

Children sing stanza 1 in German and English, congregation joins on stanzas 2 & 3.

1. (children) Stille nacht, heilige nacht
German Alles schlaft, einsam wacht
Nur das traute, hoch heilige Paar
Holder Knabe, im lochigen Haar
Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh. Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh.
1. (children) Silent night, holy night,
English 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. (ALL) **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. (ALL) **Silent night, holy night,
Son of God loves pure light.
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth. Jesus, Lord at Thy birth.**



Gr. 7-8: "And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.'"

Gr. K-8: "Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.'"

Children and Congregation Song: “Glory to God”

(The Children will sing the verses. The congregation may join in the refrain.

Congregation, please stand for the third/final refrain)



1. Low in a humble manger Jesus the Christ Child lay,
Watched by the virgin mother, there on the fragrant hay,
Keeping her loving vigil far from the worldly throngs,
When thro’ the night came ringing glorious angel songs.

**Refrain: “Glory to God” the angels sing; Praises to Christ the heav’nly King;
Peace be on earth, good will to men,” Hear we the angels sing again!
“Glory to God,” the angels sing, Praises to Christ, the heav’nly King;
Peace be on earth, good will to men, Good will to men.”**

2. Little, the loving mother dreamed of their meaning then,
How He should die on Calv’ry, die for the sins of men.
But down the weary ages, out from that manger bed
Streams all the light of heaven, soon o’er the world to spread.

Refrain repeats two times.

Gr. 5-6: “When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, ‘Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.’

So, they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.”

Gr. K-2: “But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.”

Children and Congregation: “See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!”

Gr. K-2 Song: “I Am So Glad When Christmas Comes” stanzas 1-3 (CW 51)

1. I am so glad when Christmas comes,
The night of Jesus’ birth,
When Bethl’em’s star shone as the sun,
And angels sang on earth.
2. The little child of Bethlehem,
He was a king indeed!
For he came down from heav’n above
To help a world in need.
3. He lives again in heaven’s realm,
The Son of God today;
And still he loves his little ones
And hears them when they pray.

5. GOD'S LOVE TO ALL

Gr. K-8 Song: "Of the Father's Love Begotten" stanza 4 (CW 35, ELH 181, LSB 384)

4. Let the heights of heav'n adore him, Angel hosts his praises sing,
Pow'rs, dominions bow before him And extol our God and King.
Let no tongue on earth be silent, Ev'ry voice in concert ring
Evermore and evermore.

Narrator: Who are the "children of God"? In the Old Testament, the descendants of Abraham were rarely called God's children but were instead often referred to as "God's people" or his "chosen people." God kept these people separate from other nations to preserve the human line for the birth of the promised Savior. But "children of God" appears more often in the New Testament, and the inspired writers tell us who God's children are:

Gr. 5-8: "In Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith." (Galatians 3:26)

Congregation: "It is not the children by physical descent who are God's children, but it is the children of the promise who are regarded as Abraham's offspring." (Romans 9:8)

Narrator: Believers are God's children! When the Holy Spirit works faith in a person's heart, that person becomes a child of God. And this is how faith comes:

Gr. K-4: "Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ." (Romans 10:17)

Narrator: And that word of Christ is this:

Gr. K-8: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

Children and Congregation: "See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!"

Gr. K-8 Song: "See What Great Love" by Debra Bakken

Refrain: See what great love the Father has shown, the Father has shown to us
That we should be called the children of God, and that is what we are!

1. See how God shows his love for us: while we were still in our sin,
he sent his Son, a tiny child, so we will live with him!
Refrain
2. See how God shows his love for us: his Son was Immanuel!
He healed the sick, he raised the dead, and taught God's Word to all.
Refrain
3. See how God shows his love for us: his Son washed away our sin.
He died on Calv'ry's gruesome cross! His blood has made us clean!
Refrain

Offering & Connect Card

1. During this time, our ushers will be bringing the offering plates forward. If you forget to give your offering prior to the service, there will be a plate available on the back of church. We also offer online giving on our app/website or scan the QR Code. Thank you!



2. Don't forget to fill out the Connect Card located in your pew! Please complete it and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher. You may also complete the connect card on our app under "Check In" on the homepage. Thank you!



Online Giving

Please Stand

Congregation Offering Hymn: "I Stand beside Your Manger Here" (CW21 334 v. 1)

Melody: "The Day Is Surely Drawing Near" (CW207)

**I stand beside your manger here, O Jesus, life from heaven.
The gifts I bring as I draw near are what to me you've given:
my spirit, courage, mind, and heart—take all I am, take ev'ry part;
in mercy let it please you.**

Prayers and Benediction

Be Seated

Children and Congregation Recessional Hymn: "Let All Together Praise Our God (CW 41)

- 1. Let all together praise our God Before his highest throne;
Today he opens heav'n again And gives us his own Son,
And gives us his own Son.**
- 2. He leaves his heav'nly Father's throne, Is born an infant small,
And in a manger, poor and lone, Lies in a humble stall,
Lies in a humble stall.**
- 3. He veils in flesh his pow'r divine A servant's form to take;
In want and lowliness must die Who heav'n and earth did make,
Who heav'n and earth did make.**
- 4. A wondrous change which he does make: He takes our flesh and blood,
And he conceals for sinners' sake His majesty as God,
His majesty as God.**
- 5. He serves that I a lord may be—A great exchange indeed!
Could Jesus' love do more for me To help me in my need,
To help me in my need?**
- 6. For us he opens wide the door Of paradise today.
The angel guards the gate no more; To God our thanks we pay,
To God our thanks we pay.**

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

“Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; Let every heart prepare him room. And heav’n and nature sing, and heav’n and nature sing, and heav’n, and heav’n, and heav’n and nature sing.” (CW 62 st. 1) May the Word of God bring us peace and joy today and throughout the New Year! The pastors, faculty, and staff wish to extend the warmest Christmas greetings to you and your family.

CHRISTMAS WEEKEND WORSHIP

Friday, December 24th

6:30 P.M. – Children’s Christmas Eve Service @ Juneau Campus

9:00 P.M. – Candlelight Service @ Lowell Campus

Saturday, December 25th

9:00 A.M. – Christmas Festival Service @ Juneau Campus

5:00 P.M. – No Worship @ Horicon Campus

Sunday, December 26th

8:00 A.M. – Worship @ Juneau Campus

9:30 A.M. – Worship @ Lowell Campus

10:30 A.M. – Worship @ Juneau Campus

THANK YOU

The faculty and their families wish to thank the kind members of St. John's for all their assistance in the weeks leading up to Christmas and throughout the year. We also thank you for the cards, gifts, and words of kindness expressed this Christmas.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDY BAGS

All children in grade school and younger will receive a candy bag as they leave the service. We thank the following people for donations for the candy bags: Zank family for the peanuts, and the generous families who made donations of candy and money towards the candy bags. Thank you to everyone who helped in assembling the candy bags.

CHAIRS

Help is needed after the service on December 24th to take the folding chairs in the front of church down to the church basement. Thank you for your assistance.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Principal & Teacher Gr. 7&8

Teacher Preschool 2, Gr.7&8, & Extended Learning

Teacher Gr. 5&6

Teacher Gr. 3&4 & Music Director

Teacher Gr. 1&2

Teacher Kindergarten

Teacher Preschool 3&4

Officiant

Organist

Piano Accompanists

Mr. Richard Cody

Mrs. Rebecca Zellmer

Mr. Michel Krebs Jr.

Mr. Matthew Lober

Mrs. Suzanne Colantonio

Mrs. Nichole Gunst

Mrs. Crystal Schultz

Pastor David Brandt

Mrs. Ruth Affeld

Lilly Giroux & Abigail Tolkinen