



“And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.” Luke 2:7 ESV

Christmas Eve Family Service

4:00 p.m.

December 24, 2025



Prelude *Angels Singing, Tidings Ringing!* Tintinnabulation Ringers

*Opening Hymn (please stand) *O Come, All Ye Faithful* Congregation and Bells

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.
Come, and behold Him, born the King of angels!
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation!
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!

Welcome Pastor Jonathan Murray

Lighting of the Advent Candles Don, Pam, Ryan, and Sean W
Ken, Molly, and Ellis

*Benediction Pastor Jonathan Murray

Closing Song (please be seated) *I Saw Three Ships* Tintinnabulation Ringers



Minister of Word and Sacrament – Pastor Jonathan Murray

Pastor of Christian Discipleship – Pastor Blakeley Winslow

Director of Handbells & Children / Youth Music - ‘Miss Karen’ A. Meersman

Joy to the World Director – Avery K. M

Tintinnabulation Ringers (L to R):

Avery K. M, Kyle K, Jill V D B, Bethany K,
Taylor Ann M, Kelly S, James B Seth W. M

Bulletin Watercolor Artist - Taylor Ann M

The Greatest Gift of All

by Jennifer L. Betts

It’s easy to get caught up in Santa.
And Christmas shopping with your Nana.
But presents and twinkling trees are small
In the big picture of it all.

Christmas is about one big gift given this day.
In a manger, he lay.
God gave the greatest gift you’ll ever see.
He gave his son to you and me.



Reader: We light the Christ candle to remember that nothing can separate us from God’s love; for God’s Christ has come to redeem all creation.

Congregation:

Heaven and nature sing: Joy to the World

The Lord is come.

The light of the world; the song of salvation;

The reason for our hope, peace, love and joy.

Reader: May this light remind us that Christ is born in us today,

Congregation: *And every day we welcome him. Joy to the World!*

Response *Angels We Have Heard on High* Congregation and Bells
Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o’er the plains,
And the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains.
Glo--ria in excelsis Deo; Glo--ria in excelsis Deo.

Anthem *Gabriel’s Oboe* Tintinnabulation Ringers

*Scripture Reading (please stand) Seth W. M
The Christmas Story - Luke 2:1-16

Hymn *Away in a Manger* Congregation
Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head,
The stars in the sky look down where He lay.
The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.
I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky,
And stay by my cradle 'til morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven, to live with Thee there.

Anthem *Christmas Bell Tidings* Tintinnabulation Ringers

Message *Ringin the Story of 'Joy to the World'* Pastor Blakeley Winslow

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come; Let earth receive her King!
Let every heart prepare Him room, And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing, And heaven and heaven 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. 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.

Hymn *Silent Night* Congregation

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.

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."

Silent night, holy night! Son of God love's pure light;
Radiant beams from Thy holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

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.

Offertory *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* Pastor Blakeley Winslow
Tintinnabulation Ringers

*Hymn (please stand) *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* Congregation

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;
With th'angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem!
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings, risen with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by, born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"