

Christmas Eve Worship Celebration

Christmas Eve December 24, 2017

7 p.m. & 11 p.m.

Music for Gathering "O Holy Night" Kay
Young & Doug Austen, piano

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

People: The Word was with God in the beginning.

Leader: Through God all things were made; without God nothing was made that has been made. In God was life, and that life was the Light of all humankind.

People: The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Leader: The True light that gives Light was coming into the world. The True Light was in the world, and though the world was made through the True Light, the world did not recognize the True Light. Yet to all who receive the True Light, to those who believe, they are children of God—children born not of natural descent, nor of human will, but born of God.

People: The Word became flesh and made dwelling among us. We have seen the glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

*Proclamational Carol "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"
Hymnal #240

Lighting the Advent Candle Wreath & Blessing 7pm Bryce &
Stephanie Fuhrmann Family

11pm Jo Austen

Family

First Lesson Genesis 22:1-8

The Children Gather near the Nativity
7pm Nancy Sapp

Carol 7p.m. "Oh Joyful Children"
Grace Pelton
11p.m. "Noel"
Sanctuary Choir

Second Lesson Isaiah 8:2, 6-7

Carol 7p.m. "Adore"
Vic Amaro
11p.m. "Away in a Manger"
Hymnal #217
Third Lesson Micah 5:2-4

Carol 7 & 11 p.m. "O Come Little Children"
Bell Choir

Fourth Lesson Luke 1:26-35, 38

Christmas Eve Offering "Christmas Lullaby"
Kay Young, organ

Fifth Lesson Matthew 1:18-21

Carol 7 p.m. "The First Noel"
Hymnal #245
11 p.m. "Oh Joyful Children"
Grace Pelton

Sixth Lesson Luke 2:8-20

Sacrament of Holy Communion

*Please come down the middle aisle for the Sacrament of Holy Communion by
intinction
by one of our pastors and return to your seating area by the side aisle.*

Carol "Silent Night"
Hymnal #239

*Christmas Song of Joy "Joy to the World" (vs 1)
Hymnal #246

Christmas Blessing

Twelve Bells of Christmas

*Postlude "In Excelsis Deo" Kay
Young & Doug Austen

*(*congregation standing, as able)*

***You are invited to linger for a few moments over hot wassail & Christmas cookies
Hosted by the Morrison families in the Parlor***

Ushers: (7pm & 11pm) Ron & Marti Spencer, David & Sharon Robb. Sound: (7
pm) Matt Gerard (11 pm) Jim Reneau Media: (7 pm) Dave Tarter (11 pm) Bryce
Fuhrmann

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Tonight's Radio Broadcast is given in loving memory of Doug & Cha Ree
Smith
by KaCee Smith & Chris Richards.

The "TOWER BELLS" are sponsored the week of December 24th –
December 30th given by Julie Becker. *The cost to sponsor the bells is \$75.*