

*all is
calm*

*all is
bright*



Christmas Eve

December 24, 2018 at 5:00PM

Instrumental Prelude

Jane Ritter, piano

Call to Worship from Luke 2

MINISTER:

And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And the angel said to them:

PEOPLE:

Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people!

MINISTER:

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And suddenly, there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

PEOPLE:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!

Congregational Hymn *Angels We Have Heard on High* #214

Scripture Reading Isaiah 9:2-7

MINISTER: The people walking in darkness have seen a great light;

PEOPLE: On those living in the land of deep darkness light has dawned.

MINISTER: You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you.

PEOPLE: As people rejoice at the harvest, as warriors rejoice when dividing the plunder.

MINISTER: For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them,

PEOPLE: The bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor.

MINISTER: Every warrior's boot used in battle and every garment rolled in blood will be destined for burning, will be fuel for the fire.

PEOPLE: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given,

MINISTER: And the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called

PEOPLE: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

MINISTER: Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end.

PEOPLE: He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever.

UNISON: The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.

Congregational Hymns

Away in a Manger #204

(Instrumental transition)

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing #203

Offertory *Still, Still, Still* (arr. Robert A. Hobby)

Suzanne Dovel, choir director

Scripture Reading Luke 2:1-20

Recited by TCPC Children

Homily Rev. Robert Cunningham, Senior Minister

“Silent Night”

Solo *O Holy Night* (Adolphe Adam)

Congregational Hymn *The First Noel*

The first Noel the angels did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay, keeping their sheep, on a cold winter’s night that was so deep.

REFRAIN: Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel!

They looked up and saw a star, shining in the east, beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night. (REFRAIN)

And by the light of that same star, three wise men came from country far;
To seek for a King was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it went. (REFRAIN)

Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heav’nly Lord
That hath made heaven and earth of naught, and with his blood mankind hath bought. (REFRAIN)

Benediction

Congregational Hymn *Silent Night! Holy Night!* #210



The Window Story

You may have noticed that each window contains decorations, but you may not have realized that they all tell a story! If you'd like to know the Window Story, you can find a **printed guide on the Nativity Table in the Narthex.**

Also, we would love for your children to write a prayer request on one of the stars found on the Nativity Table and place it on the Christmas Tree in the Sanctuary.

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