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December 24, 2021 Christmas Eve



Order of Worship

*Please Stand if you are able

WELCOME Pastor John

*GATHERING HYMN "Angels We Have Heard on High" UMH 238

*CALL TO WORSHIP Colette Barth

Leader: Unexpectedly, the time came! The child was born!

People: The Savior of the world is here!

Leader: Unexpectedly, the angels told the shepherds of the newborn Savior;

People: The Savior of the world is here!

Leader: Unexpectedly, the shepherds went and found the child, lying

in a manger.

People: The Savior of the world is here!

Leader: We wait for Christ to come again. We wait for Christ to enter our world

and lives in a new way.

People: Come, Lord Jesus, Come!

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH CANDLE

SPECIAL MUSIC Bobby Jones

*OPENING PRAYER

Pastor John

Glorious God, We sing with the angels to celebrate the tremendous gift of Your Son, Jesus! We rejoice with gladness. You give us wonderful joy and peace in our Savior. May we exult in Your goodness with the exhilaration of children opening presents. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE "O Come. All Ye Faithful" UMH 234

PSALTER Psalm 98 (UMH818-819) Colette Barth

Leader: O sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory.

People: The LORD has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

Leader: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

People: All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

People: break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Leader: Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

People: With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

Leader: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.

People: Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joyat the presence of the LORD, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

*GLORIA PATRAI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

HYMN

"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

UMH 240

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC

"The Gift Goes On"

Sarah Ritchea

Rev. Wanda Ritchea & Gail James

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Betty Britsch

Lord, Open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that As the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy What you say to us today. Amen

*THE GOSPEL

Luke 2:1-7

Betty Britsch

SERMON "No Room" Pastor John

HOLY COMMUNION UMH 8-11

HYMN "O Holy Night" Video

CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE "Silent Night" UMH 239

*BENEDICTION



| Liturgist | Music Leader | Special Music |
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| Colette Barth | Sarah Ritchea | Sarah Ritchea, Rev. Wanda Ritchea & |
| | | Gail James |

| Greeters/Ushers | |
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| Bobby & Charla Jones | |



| Dillon Alcous | James Trusty | Tiffany Gillis |
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| Larry Wolf | Emily Cheatham | Martin & Kathy Flannery |
| Becca Wagner | David Jaks | Martin Eldridge III family |
| Javance Thomas | Diane Schroeder | Matthew Bryant |
| Bryan & Vicky Adkins | Catrina Harper | Coleen Tom |
| Annabelle Gomez | Graylin Rusk | Morin family |
| Teresa Strickland | Linda Sager | John Flannery family |
| Linda Thamm | Earl O'Connor | Jackie & John Bush family |
| Sheriff Carl Bowen | Cheryl Sweet | Sarah Ritchea |
| Gordon & Stacey Barth family | Pinky Togmetti | Tina Heiser |
| Preston Carey | Kyle Paschall | Dylan Mills |
| A.J. Carter | J.D. Heyen | Elizabeth Reid |
| Ronnie White | Tiy Salazar | Jayliem Battles |
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