

December 24, 2021
Christmas Eve

Lighting of the Advent Candles –

Greeting/ Announcements:

Prelude

Prayer of Adoration (Unison)

Glory to You, almighty God, for You sent Your only begotten Son, that we might have new life.

Glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ, for You became flesh and dwelt among us that we might become your people.

Glory to You Holy Spirit, for You direct and rule our lives.

Glory to You, almighty God, our Creator; glory to Jesus Christ our Redeemer; and glory to the Holy Spirit our sustainer, now and forever. Amen

* **Hymn:** Angels We Have Heard on High #188

Scripture lessons: Isaiah 7:1-16, Matthew 1:18-25

Meditation: Christmas of Interwoven Stories

Prayer

Litany for Christmas

The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us,

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Jesus, Son of the living God, splendor of the Father, Light eternal:

Glory to You, O Lord!

Jesus, King of glory, Sun of righteousness, born of the Virgin Mary:

Glory to You, O Lord!

Jesus, Wonderful Counselor, mighty God, everlasting Lord:

Glory to Christ our Savior!

Jesus, Prince of Peace, Shepherd of souls, perfect in holiness:

Glory to Christ our Savior!

Jesus, Friend of humanity, Champion of the poor, Treasure of the faithful:

Glory to the Good Shepherd who lays down His life for the sheep!

Jesus, our Way, our Truth, and our Life, Joy of the angels:

Glory to the Good Shepherd who lays down His life for the sheep!
Jesus, Alpha and Omega, salvation, and eternal life:
Please hear our adoration and Praise. Alleluia, Amen.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

***Hymn:** Joy to the World # 179

Christmas Eve Prayer (Unison)

Good and gracious God, on this holy night You gave us Your Son, the Lord of the universe, wrapped in swaddling clothes, the Savior of all, lying in a manger. On this holy night draw us into the mystery of Your love. Join our voices with the heavenly host that we may sing Your glory on high. Give us a place among the shepherds that we may find the one for whom we have waited, Jesus Christ, the Messiah and Lord, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

Sharing the light of Christ – As we sing Silent Night ushers will light the candles of those at the end of each pew and we will share the light with those next to us. Hold candles horizontal to light and vertical to shine safely. Extinguish candles before recessing and deposit with the usher at the door, but carry the light of Christ in your heart and have a very merry Christmas.

***Hymn:** Silent Night! Holy Night #186

***Charge and Blessing**
Postlude



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*Congregation Standing
