

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

December 24, 2021, 9:00 pm

PROCESSIONAL “Lullay” (Polish Carol) Christmas Eve Choir

OPENING WORDS Rev. Dr. John Morehouse

INTROIT “Lo, How a Rose” (Praetorius)

READING Luke 2: 1-7 Kim Warman, Intern Minister

MUSIC “There Was a Young Child” (Billings)

READING Luke 2: 8-20 Rev. Jim Francek

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL “Angels We Have Heard” (over)

MUSIC “Angels in the Night” (Thompson)

READING “The Risk of Birth” (Madeleine L’Engle) Wendy Levy

MUSIC “The Gift We Give” (Andy Gundell) Andy Gundell

READING “The Moment of Magic” (Victoria Safford) Keanan Pucci

MUSIC “God Bless Us Everyone” (Ballard/Silvestri) Paige Steele

READING “The Elements of Christmas” (R. Montenewa) Hazel Foley

OFFERING “ Shout for Joy” (Spiritual, arr. DeCormier)

HOMILY “Joy to the World” Rev. Dr. John Morehouse

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL “Silent Night” (over)

BENEDICTION Rev. Morehouse

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL “O Come All Ye Faithful” (over)

GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Thanks to members of the Christmas Eve Choir

THE BLESSINGS OF THE SEASON TO EVERYONE!

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

1. Angels we have heard on high sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply echo back their joyous strains.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

2. Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?
Say what may the tidings be, which inspire your heavenly song.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

3. Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;
Come adore on bended knee, Christ, the Lord, the new-born King.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

SILENT NIGHT

1. 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.

2. 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!

3. 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.

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

1. 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:

(CHORUS) O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

2. Lo, humble shepherds, hasting to His cradle,
Leaving their flocks in the fields, draw near.
We, too, with gladness, thither bend our footsteps; (CHORUS)

3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest; (CHORUS)