

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

December 24, 2024 9 PM

PROCESSIONAL	"Lullay" (Polish Carol)	Christmas Eve Choir
OPENING WORDS		Rev. Alan Taylor
INTROIT	"Lo, How a Rose" (Praetorius)	Christmas Eve Choir
READING	Luke 2: 1-7	Paige Steele
MUSIC	"Gloria" (Vivaldi)	Christmas Eve Choir
READING	Luke 2: 8-20	Meg Jones
CONGREGATIONAL CAROL	"Angels We Have Heard on High" (over)	
MUSIC	"Angels in the Night" (Thompson)	Christmas Eve Choir
READING	"The Queens Came Late" (Norma Farber)	Beth Cliff
MUSIC	"I Heard the Bells" (Campana)	Christmas Eve Choir; Alexandria Fonda, Debbie Handler, chimes
READING	"Moment of Magic" (Victoria Safford)	Keanan Pucci
MENORAH LIGHTING		
MUSIC	"Hanerot Halalu" (Mayo)	Christmas Eve Choir
READING	"Christmas Happens Only at Midnight" (Davies)	Rev. Jim Francek
OFFERING		
OFFERTORY MUSIC	"Touch Hands" (Betinis)	Christmas Eve Choir
HOMILY		Rev. Alan Taylor
CONGREGATIONAL CAROL	"Silent Night" (over)	
BENEDICTION	"I Will Light Candles" (Howard Thurman)	Rev. Alan Taylor
CONGREGATIONAL CAROL	"Hark the Herald Angels Sing" (over)	
GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR		

Thanks to members of the Christmas Eve Choir and to Nicholas Barra (pianist)!

THE BLESSINGS OF THE SEASON TO EVERYONE!

Angels We Have Heard on High

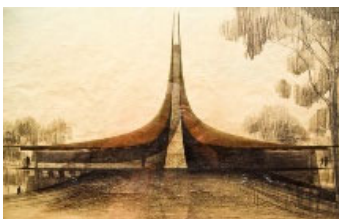
1. Angels we have heard on high sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply echo back their joyous strains.
Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.
2. Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?
Say what may the tidings be, which inspire your heavenly song.
Gloria 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.

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King;
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;
With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King!"
2. Christ by highest heav'n adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord.
Late in time behold him come, offspring of the Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, hail th'incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with man to dwell; Jesus our Immanuel!
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King!"
3. Hail the heav'nly Prince of Peace! Hail the sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by, born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King!"



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