

A Celebration of Christmas Eve

9:00 p.m. Service

* Indicates stand if you are able.

Please silence cell phones.

PRELUDE *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear...arr. D. Miller*
Gentle Mary Laid Her Child...arr. W. Bates
selected carols, String Quartet

INTROIT *Of the Father's Love Begotten...arr. P. Wohlgemuth*
Chancel Choir, Dr. Lisa Elliott-director

*CAROL # 245 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*
(vs 1 & 2)

PRESENTATION OF THE ADVENT LIGHT Becky and Henry Huang

OPENING LITANY

One: The angel of the Lord announced to Mary that she would bear the Holy Child.

All: **He was born in Bethlehem. We pray that He might be born again in our hearts.**

One: The angel reassured the shepherds who were frightened by the brightness of God's glory.

All: **He directed them, just as He directs us, to the gentle light shining from the manger.**

One: The animals were afraid at the commotion yet also were warmed with hope by the light from heaven and the promise of peace.

All: **May we also be caught up in the wonder and amazement of this holy moment.**

One: A choir of angels filled the night sky with hymns of praise for God's Christmas gift. Mary and Joseph were amazed to be part of God's miracle as it unfolded.

All: **We join that song with thankful hearts. We offer our best gifts to God's gracious Son. Amen.**

ANTHEM *All Is Well...M.W. Smith*
Drake Oquist and Elena Ushiroda, Chancel Choir

LESSON: *The promise of the Messiah* Isaiah 7:14, 9:2, 6-7
Bruce Laird

*CAROL # 262 *Away in a Manger*

CHRISTMAS PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

LESSON: *An angel appears to Mary* Luke 1:26-35, 38
Lynne Zenier

ANTHEM *He Shall Feed His Flock Like a Shepherd* from Messiah...G.F. Handel
Katharyne Taylor and Toni Trapp, duet

LESSON: *The birth of Jesus* Luke 2:1-7
Richard Kimmell

OFFERTORY *Of a Rose, A Lovely Rose* from Magnificat...J. Rutter
Chancel Choir

LESSON: *The Angels announce the Messiah* Luke 2:8-16
Rhonda Reeves

*CAROL # 249 *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE Pastor Jim Houston-Hencken

ANTHEM *O Holy Night*...A. Adam
Dr. Lisa Elliott, soloist

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE Pastor Jim Houston-Hencken

Sharing the Light

*CAROL # 253 *Silent Night! Holy Night!*

PRAYER OF HOPE Marcia Evans

Please extinguish candles at the conclusion of the prayer.

LESSON: *The Word became flesh* John 1:1-14
Stephen Taylor

*CAROL # 270 *Joy to the World!*
(vs 1, 2, 4)

CHRISTMAS BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Noel X*...Daquin
Dr. David Dorway, organ



Assisted listening devices are available for those who are in need.
Please ask for one at the sound booth in the back of the Sanctuary.

Thanks To Musicians....

Chancel Choir

Soloist: Drake Oquist, Elena Ushiroda,
Katharyne Taylor & Toni Trapp

Organist: Dr. David Dorway

Director of Music: Dr. Lisa Elliott

String Quartet

Violin I

Shakeh Ghoukasian

Violin II

Peter Goomroyan

Viola

Ferenc Cseszko

Cello

Elena Kapustina

Readers

Marcia Evans

Richard Kimmell

Bruce Laird

Rhonda Reeves

Stephen Taylor

Lynne Zenier



Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service
December 24, 2021
9:00 p.m.

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Presbyterian Church

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1515 W. Charleston Blvd.

Las Vegas, NV 89102

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Worship: 10:30 a.m.

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