

# Order of Worship

Christmas Eve - 7PM

*CHRIST*

December 24, 2021

The liturgical color is white, receiving the gift of God in His Son.

*We lift up prayers for the community, our church family, staff, ministers, and for the work of Christ in the world.*

**Prelude**

Christmas Carols

*String Quartet*

*(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God. Let the worshipers remain silent and contemplative.)*

**Welcome**

Rev. Dr. George K. Howle

\* **Chiming of the Hour**

\* **Opening Hymn**

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

UMH #234

**Lighting the Advent Candle**

Isaiah 9:2-7

Phyllis & Carl Townsend

**Congregational Response**

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

*Chorus only*

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

\* **Affirmation of Faith**

Jim Creel | UMH #881

\* **The Gloria Patri**

UMH #70

**Pastoral Prayer**

Mr. Creel

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**Celebrating Grace by Returning God's Tithes and Giving Our Offerings**

*(Offering Stewards will come forward at this time)*

**Offertory**

“What Child is This?”

arr. Carole Neuen-Rabinowitz

*String Quartet*

*Communion offering may be placed in the offering plate to benefit Zoe International, world missions.*

\* **The Doxology**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH #95

\* **Offertory Prayer**

Mr. Creel

\* **Hymn of Preparation**

“Away in a Manger”

UMH #217

\* **Sermon Text**

Luke 2:1-20

Mr. Creel

**Anthem**

“Let There Be Christmas Tonight”

arr. Martin

Kim Alexander, *soloist*

**Sermon**

“No Room”

Rev. Howle

**Service of Word and Table**

UMH #12

\* **Closing Hymn**

“Silent Night”

UMH #239

*Ushers will light the first candle in each pew row. Please **tilt the unlit candle** to pass the light.*

\* **Benediction**

Rev. Howle

**Postlude**

“Fantasia on Adeste Fideles”

arr. Geoffrey Shaw

*(\* Please stand as you are able.)*

Thank you to our String Quartet for providing beautiful music today for worship: Stephen Williams, Rose Degraça, Brenden Cabasag, and Wyatt Johnson.

We welcome our guests today and pray that you will experience the presence of Christ in our worship together.

Thank you to Kim Alexander, soloist, for sharing her musical talents in worship today.

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