

PRELUDE *Seasonal Carols* Rossi Clarinet Consort
All is Well arr. J. Graham
Voices in Accord

WELCOME Darren Cushman Wood

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: Let us dance with delight in the Lord
and let our hearts be filled with rejoicing,
People: for eternal salvation has appeared on the earth.
Alleluia!

*OPENING CAROL #234 *O Come, All Ye Faithful* v. 1-4

*LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE The Galloway Family
Leader: During Advent,
we have journeyed in faith toward God's wondrous gift.

People: O come, let us adore him.
Leader: During Advent,
we stood in awe of God's saving grace.

People: O come, let us adore him.
Leader: During Advent,
we recalled the promise of God's spoken word.

People: O come, let us adore him.
Leader: During Advent,
we waited for the time of God's glorious arrival.

People: O come, let us adore him.
Leader: Tonight our waiting is over, our eyes are open,
and the gift is given.

People: O come, let us adore him.

Congregational Response *The Wonder of Christmas* arr. J. Raney

There is won - der in the hope of the birth of a
King, there is won - der in the sound of the an - gels as they
sing. O come, O come, Em - man - u -
el and join us here.

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**Please stand as you are able.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Sarah Galloway
FIRST LESSON Isaiah 9:2-7 Pew Bible, OT, pg. 600

CAROL #242 *Love Came Down at Christmas*

SECOND LESSON Titus 2:11-14 Pew Bible, NT, pg. 202

ANTHEM *Gloriacappella* P. Choplin
Kate Roberts, soloist; Voices in Accord

Glory, gloria! While shepherds were living out in the field and keeping watch o'er their flocks by night, the angel appeared surrounded by glory, and they were so afraid. Fear not, for I bring you good tidings of great joy. Unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, Christ the Lord.
The angel said, "This shall be a sign unto you. You'll find a Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes. There in a manger, the Child will be, a Savior, Christ the Lord."
Suddenly there was with the angel a host from heaven praising God.
Glory be to God in the highest, peace on the earth, goodwill to all.
Glory, gloria! When angels left them and went into heaven, the shepherds went over to Bethlehem. And there in the manger, they saw the Child, a Savior, Christ the Lord.

*GOSPEL LESSON Luke 2:1-20 Pew Bible, NT, pg. 54
Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God!

CHRISTMAS MEDITATION Darren Cushman Wood

*CAROL #240 *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*

PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON
Leader: The grace of God has appeared in Jesus Christ,
bringing salvation to all people.
Therefore, let us prepare to meet Christ at the table
by confessing our sin to God and one another:

**People: We confess, O God, the many ways
we have worked against your will
and indulged the desires of this world.
We have not waited for your blessed hope,
but have settled for lesser visions.
Forgive us, cleanse us, and renew us
with hearts eager to do good.**

Leader: Our great God and Savior Jesus Christ
gave himself for us
in order to rescue us from all wickedness.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Leader: As a forgiven and reconciled people,
let us offer one another the sign of peace.

*PASSING THE PEACE
CHRISTMAS OFFERING
Your contribution will support Bread & Bowl, Farmers Market and Member Assistance.

OFFERTORY PRAYER
OFFERTORY ANTHEM from *Messiah* G F. Handel/trans. K. Abeling
For Unto Us a Child is Born Rossi Clarinet Consort

*DOXOLOGY
*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;
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Darren Cushman Wood
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
...And so with angels and archangels and all the heavenly choir
we join in the unending hymn of praise:

(Tune: *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*)
*Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lörd, God of pow'r and might a-dor'd.
Heav'n and eärth shine this night with the glo-ry of your light.
Loud Ho-san-nas now we sing, in the high-est may they ring.
Blest is your A-noin-ted One, Christ, E-mman-u-el, your Son.
Sing Ho-san-na at his birth! Glo-ry on high, and peace on earth!*

...Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me:

(Tune: *Once in Royal David's City*)
*Dy-ing Christ deströyed öur dëath.
Ri-sing Christ restöres öur life.
Christ will come agäin in glo-ry,
bring-ing us the gift of new life.
Christ has died, and Christ is ris-en,
com-ing still, he ö-pëns heaven.*

...Through him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be given to you, Almighty Father, throughout all ages:

(Tune: *Silent Night*)
*Ä-men. Grä-cious Lord,
Source of Life, Li-ving Word,
Mo-ther-Fä-ther, änd the Son,
and the Spi-rit, thrëe in one:
praise and glo-ry be yöurs,
now and for-ev-er. Amen.*

*Silent night, holy night, wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing, Al-le-lu-ia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!*



***PROCLAMATION OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

Leader: In him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

**People: The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness did not overcome it.**

Leader: And the Word became flesh and lived among us,
and we have seen his glory.

People: From his fullness we have all received grace upon grace.

***CAROL**

Joy to the World

*Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; let
every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing, and
heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.*

*He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations
prove the glories of his righteousness, and wonders of his love, and
wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.*

***DISMISSAL AND BLESSING**

*Please extinguish your candle before leaving your seat
and place it in a basket by the exits.*

POSTLUDE

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

arr. D. Willcocks
Heather Hinton

The offering tonight is dedicated to supporting:

- Farmers Market – has served the community for over 15 years; features local produce and vendors
- Bread and Bowl – has served the community for over 25 years and feeds people every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
- Member Assistance – this fund helps our members who are facing financial crisis

Rossi Clarinet Consort:

Amanda Bierer, Cheri Brightman,
Teresa Cassel, James DeCaro, soprano clarinets;
Nicholas Brightman, bass clarinet

**Sunday, December 29, 2019
One Service, 11 a.m.**

First Sunday after Christmas
Tiffany Williams, preaching

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**Christmas Eve
Celebration of Carols,
Holy Communion and Candle Lighting
December 24, 2019
7:30 p.m.**

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.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion in this Church.

Please come forward by the aisle on your right and return by the aisle on your left.

*You may receive the elements at one of the stations, where you may dip the bread into
the cup. You may remain in prayer at the prayer rail. If you are unable to come forward
and wish to be served in the pew, please indicate your desire to an usher.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Silent Night

arr. D. Forrest

COMMUNION CAROLS

Please join in singing the following carols until all persons have been served.

#219 *What Child Is This* v. 1-2

#218 *It Came upon the Midnight Clear* v. 1 & 4

#249 *There's a Song in the Air* v. 1-2

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*The acolytes will share the light of Christ with you. Please tip
individual candles to the lighted candle brought to you, then hold your
candle upright as you pass the light to the person next to you.*

CAROL

Silent Night, Holy Night

(Please remain seated for Silent Night. The Choir will sing the first verse.

The congregation and choir will sing the remaining verses.)

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.

Silent night, holy night, shepherds quake at the sight;

Glories stream from heaven a-far, heavenly hosts sing

Al-le-lu-ia! Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.