

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is extended to all who seek to follow Jesus Christ. This is not a Presbyterian table, but the Lord's Table. Members, friends, and guests are welcome to share in this feast our Lord has prepared!

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

...we proclaim Christ's birth and the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

...as our Savior has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

The Light

Scripture:

John 1:1-5

*Hymn #60

"Silent Night, Holy Night"

STILLE NACHT

During the singing of the hymn, the pastor will share the light of the Christ candle with the ushers who will then light the candle of each worshipper near the aisle. Please pass the light down the pew by holding lit candles upright and dipping unlit candles into the flame.

**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 afar, Heavenly hosts sing: "Alleluia;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born."**

**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.**

**Silent night, holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.**

****Benediction***

*Hymn #40

"Joy to the World!"

ANTIOCH

**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.**

****Postlude***

The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came

arr. J William Greene
GABRIEL'S MESSAGE

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The Nativity of the Lord Christmas Eve

December 24, 2019

6:00 p.m.

A Service of Lessons & Carols

God did not wait! There is good news of great joy for all! Our Savior is born: the Messiah, the Lord.

What If God Had Waited?

What if God had waited
For Mary to be wed,
For Herod to relent,
For a legitimate birthing bed?

What if God had waited
Until the powerful promoted peace,
And the politicians agreed?

What if God had waited
For a plan with no risk of failure,
For a place that felt safe and secure?

What if God had waited
For the anxious to find rest,
For the cynic to know hope,
For the brokenhearted to be whole?

For the wars to cease,
For the violence to end,
For the fears to pass,
For the weapons to be banned?

What if God had waited
For the earth to heal,
For the laws to change,
For every life to matter the same,
For the addict to be freed from shame,
For the refugees to not be blamed?

What if God had waited
Until all was calm,
All was bright,
For a future that might
Never come?

What if God had waited?

But God couldn't wait.

God couldn't wait to be love known in flesh and bone—
And neither should we.

—Lisle Gwynn Garrity
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Prelude

What Child is This
GREENSLEEVES

arr. J Norman Johnson

Lighting the Candles of the Advent Wreath & Call to Worship

We have watched; we have waited in hope...for peace...in joy...and with love.

Now the time for waiting is ended! God's promise is fulfilled!

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all.

Glory to God in the highest!

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

Glory to God in the highest!

For a child has been born for us, a Son has been given to us.

Glory to God in the highest!

He is Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Glory to God in the highest!

To us is born in the city of David a Savior, the Messiah, the Lord.

Glory to God in the highest! O come, let us adore him!

*Hymn #41

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"
verses 1 & 3

ADESTE FIDELIS

Prayer

The Prophecy

Scripture:
Hymn #48

Isaiah 11:1-4a, 6-9
"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

ES IST EIN' ROS'

The Annunciation

Scripture:
Hymn #31

Luke 1:26-35, 38
"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"
verses 1 & 3

MENDELSSOHN

The Birth of the Savior

Scripture:
Hymn #25

Luke 2:1-7
"Away in a Manger"

MUELLER

The Visit of the Shepherds

Scripture:
Hymn #59

Luke 2:8-12
"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"
verses 1, 2, 3, 4

CHRISTMAS

The Visit of the Angels

Scripture:
Hymn #23

Luke 2:13-20
"Angels We Have Heard on High"

GLORIA

The Visit of the Magi

Scripture:
Hymn #66

Matthew 2:1-11
"We Three Kings of Orient Are"
verses 1 & 5

THREE KINGS OF ORIENT

Offering our Gifts to God

Offertory

I Heard The Bells on Christmas Day

Marks/Longfellow

Prayer of Dedication

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

