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Reaching Outward to Connect People with God's Abundance



December 24, 2023

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SERVICE OF WORSHIP

11:00 pm

Prelude Drew Bailey, Ginny Jones, Jim Kirkman, Atalie Klumpp

Welcome Rev. William Brown

Hymn O Come All Ye Faithful - #148 Congregation

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Mona Miller

Candle Lighting Response One Candle Is Lit - #129 vs. 5 Congregation

Genesis 3: 8-15; 17-19
Adam and Eve disobey God's command and disrupt the order of
goodness of creation Maggie Lewis

Carol In the Bleak Midwinter by Gustav Holst Chancel Choir

Genesis 22: 15-18
God promises that, through Abraham all the peoples of the world will
be blessed Jamie Blackwell

Carol "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming", #160 Congregation

Isaiah 9: 2; 6-7 Lillie Judge
The people who walk in darkness receive the promise of the Messiah

Hymn It Came upon the Midnight Clear - #153 Congregation

Isaiah 11: 1-3a; 4a; 6-9
The Messiah will come from the root of Jesse to restore the peace of
Creation Lincoln Merchant

Carol There Shall Come Forth A Shoot From Jesse by H. Hopson Chancel Choir

Luke 1: 26-35; 38

An angel appears to Mary and announces that she will bear a holy
Child Sarah Holbrook

Hymn Hark! the Herald Angels Sing - #150 Congregation

Luke 2: 1-7

Joseph and Mary travel to Bethlehem, where Mary gives birth to her
Child Steve Hammel

Solo O Holy Night - Adam Lillie Judge

Matthew 2: 1-12

Magi from the East come seeking the Messiah and offer gifts to the
baby Jesus Heather Flynn and Lanny Smith

Hymn We Three Kings of Orient Are - #172 Congregation

Invitation Rev. William Brown

Elder's Prayer Elder

Words of Institution Rev. William Brown

Communion Music Infant Holy, Infant Lowly - Anna Laura Page Mary Ruth Yates

Taking of the Bread and Cup Together

John 1: 1-14

The World of God becomes flesh and lives among us, full of grace and
Truth Heather Flynn and Lanny Smith

Hymn Silent Night - #145 Congregation

Benediction Rev. William Brown

Postlude Joy to the World - Besemer Mary Ruth Yates