

SERVICE OF CAROLS AND CANDLELIGHT

CHRISTMAS EVE
December 24, 2016 | 5:30 PM

PRELUDE	“O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL” Pam Weis, Organ	arr. McDonald
WELCOME AND OPENING SENTENCES	Isaiah 9:2-7a	Sean Allen
⊕ CAROL 249	O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL Stanzas 1 and 2	ADESTE FIDELES
LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE		Kathy Deming
RESPONSE 281	WHAT CHILD IS THIS Stanzas 1 and 3	GREENSLEEVES
INVOCATION		Allan Smith
SCRIPTURE READING	Luke 2:1-7	Kay Meyer
⊕ CAROL 250	O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Stanzas 1 and 3 (Children are invited to come to the front on the last stanza)	ST. LOUIS
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE		April Alston
MANGER REFLECTION	“AWAY IN A MANGER” Children with Mike Eller, Guitar (All children are invited to join in singing this carol at the front)	Murray
⊕ CAROL 265	THE FIRST NOEL Stanzas 1, 2 and 6	THE FIRST NOWELL
SCRIPTURE READING	Luke 2:8-14	Bill Baxley
INSTRUMENTAL REFLECTION	“SING WE NOW OF CHRISTMAS” Tim Hendrix, Piano and Pam Weis, Organ	arr. Good
SCRIPTURE READING	Luke 2:15-20	Lou Dawson

✠ CAROL 278

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH
Stanzas 1, 3 and 4

GLORIA

✠ OFFERTORY PRAYER

Amanda Atkin

(The Christmas Eve offering will be used to support local flood relief efforts)

CHORAL OFFERTORY

“WELCOME TO OUR WORLD”
Adult Choir

Rice; arr. Goeller

MEDITATION

Sean Allen

CAROL

SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT

STILLE NACHT

(Please bend your unlit candle to receive light from a lit candle)

1. 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.

3. 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.

2. 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!

✠ CAROL

JOY TO THE WORLD!

ANTIOCH

(Raise candles on the 2nd stanza)

1. 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.

2. 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!

✠ BENEDICTION

Sean Allen

POSTLUDE

“ANGELS, WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH”
Pam Weis, Organ

arr. Mansfield

(At the conclusion of the service, please extinguish candles
and place them in the baskets as you exit the sanctuary)