



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

December 24, 2006
10:00 pm

Christmas Eve

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Prelude

"Gesù Bambino" *Yon*
David Fray, *Cello* • Stephen Nielson, *Piano*

"Concerto in d minor: Largo" *Bach*
Dawn Hui and Sarah Vendsel, *Violins*

"Fantasia on Greensleeves" *Ralph Vaughan Williams*
Rob Mowrey, *Viola* • Hannah Mowrey, *Piano*

"In Dulci Jubilo" *arr. Procter*
Festival Brass of Dallas

"I Wonder as I Wander" *arr. Rutter*
Mason McCamey, *Tenor*

Choral Introit

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" *arr. Nielson*
Mr. Nielson, *Piano* • Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *Director*

Call to Worship

The Rev. Tim Tinsley

Minister: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. Isaiah 9.2

People: **In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.**

Minister: And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

People: **No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, He has made Him known.** John 1.1, 4-5, 14, 18

***Prayer of Adoration** concluding with

O God, what shall we render to You for the gift of gifts, Your own dear Son, begotten, not created, our Redeemer, Surety, Substitute, His self-emptying incomprehensible, His infinity of love beyond the heart's grasp? Herein is wonder of wonders: He came below to raise us above, was born like us that we might become like Him. Herein is love; when we cannot rise to Him He draws near on wings of grace, to raise us to Himself. Place us with the watchful shepherds to look with them upon our Redeemer's face, and in Him account ourselves delivered from sin. Let us with Simeon clasp the new-born child to our hearts, embrace Him with undying faith, exulting that He is ours and we are His. In Him You have given us so much that heaven can give no more. Amen!

***Carol of Praise No. 214** "Angels We Have Heard on High"

GLORIA

Public Confession

O Source of all good, we render to You only an impoverished soul. Before Your wisdom, we are undone, with no will to return to You, and no intellect to devise recovery. You came, God-incarnate, to save us to the uttermost, as man to die our death, to shed satisfying blood on our behalf, to work out a perfect righteousness for us. Meanwhile, we live in selfishness, hard-heartedness, with a stiff-necked and unforgiving spirit. We are correct when we say, "There is no health in us." We beg You, through Your incarnate life and willing sacrifice, to pardon and blot out our sins. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

Private Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

If while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by His life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation. Romans 5.10-11

Hymn No. 230 "Thou Who Wast Rich beyond All Splendor"

QUELLE EST

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Musical Offering

“Hymn of Advent”
 Lauren Bell, *Soprano* • Adam Bell, *Tenor*

arr. Larson

Christmas Eve Greeting of Peace*Choral Praise**

“Gloria in excelsis Deo”
 Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *Director*

Vivaldi

Gloria in excelsis Deo
 Glory to God in the highest

***Scripture Reading**

Matthew 2.1-12

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, ² saying, “Where is He who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw His star when it rose and have come to worship Him.” ³ When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵ They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

*⁶ “ ‘And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
 are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
 for from you shall come a Ruler
 who will shepherd my people Israel.’ ”*

⁷ Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. ⁸ And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the Child, and when you have found Him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship Him.” ⁹ After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the Child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. ¹¹ And going into the house they saw the Child with Mary His mother, and they fell down and worshiped Him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered Him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. ¹² And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

Christmas Eve Meditation

“Christ, Our Shepherd King”

Mr. Tinsley

Solo

“O Holy Night”
 Mr. McCamey

Adam

Treble clef, 3/4 time signature. The first system of music includes a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are:

Tenor 1. 5i - lent night! Ho - ly night All is calm,
 Alto 2. 5i - lent night! Ho - ly night! Shep - herds pause
 Bass 3. 5i - lent night! Ho - ly night! Son - of - God.

Treble clef, 3/4 time signature. The second system of music includes a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are:

all is bright Round you vi - gin moth - er and child
 in the night! Glo - rious news from heav - en a - bur,
 love's pure light Ra - diant beams from Thy ho - ly face,

Treble clef, 3/4 time signature. The third system of music includes a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are:

Ho - ly in - fant, so ten - der and mild, Sleep in heav - en ly
 Heav'n - ly hosts — sing: "Al - le - lu - ia; Christ the Sav - ior is
 With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at Thy

Treble clef, 3/4 time signature. The fourth system of music includes a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are:

peace — Sleep — in heav - en - ly peace.
 born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!
 birth, Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth.

Christmas Prayer

*Closing Proclamation “Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come”

ANTIOCH

***Christmas Blessing**

Minister: May the God of peace Himself make you holy in every way and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: *(with a loud voice)* **Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!
Amen!**

Postlude

*“Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella”
Mr. Colin Howland, Organ*

arr. Chapman

**The congregation stands.*

The Rev. Tim Tinsley, *Associate Minister of Disciplemaking and Evangelism*
Mr. Colin Howland, *Director of Music and Arts/Organist*
Mr. J. Marty Cope, *Associate Director of Music and Arts*

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