A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

December 24, 2024, Christmas Eve – 7 p.m.

Please set all cell phones to vibrate or silent setting.

Please sign the Attendance Pad & pass it down the pew (Guests please include your address).

* = The congregation is invited to stand.

Preludes: Sheep May Safely Graze J.S. Bach

Ding! Dong! Merrily On High arr. M. Hyzer Angel's We Have Heard On High arr. C. Hamlin

Greeting

Sing Advent Candle Song (see insert v. 5)

Lighting of the Christ Candle: The Kokai and DelVecchio families

*Call to Worship

Leader: Tonight we celebrate God's gift of salvation

People: We gather with joy and gratitude.

Leader: Salvation comes to us in Jesus Christ, born a baby in Bethlehem

People: We gather with joy and gratitude.

Leader: Jesus lived as a man and died on a cross that we might be

redeemed

People: We gather with joy and gratitude.

ALL: Christ is born! Alleluia.

Carol # **234** (v. 1,2,3,6) O Come, All Ye Faithful

Responsive Prayer

Leader: We give thanks for the lights of Christmas:

People: For gleaming candles everywhere, for bright stars in a wintry sky,

and for the Light of Christ in our world.

Leader: We give thanks for the music of Christmas:

People: For carols of old, for bells that ring across the snow, for music of

children's laughter, and for the joyful song that angels sang that

first Christmas eve.

Leader: We give thanks for the gifts of Christmas:

People: For stockings filled with secrets, for bright packages under the

tree, and for the gift of a child born in Bethlehem.

Leader: We give thanks for the love of Christmas:

People: For the living presence of Christ today in our lives to cheer and

guide us.

All: We rejoice and give thanks.

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Carol #211 (v. 1, 7) O Come, O Come Emmanuel
Scripture Lesson - Isaiah 7:14, 9:6, Micah 5:2

Solo-Cheryl Conti Were You There On That Christmas Night

Scripture Lesson - Isaiah 11: 1-9

Carol #196 Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Scripture Lesson - Luke 1:26-38

Duet-Lee Slater & Pastor Choi Angel's Carol

Scripture Lesson - Luke 2:1-7

Carol #217 (v. 1,3) Away in a Manger

Scripture Lesson - Luke 2:8-16

Carol #236 (v. 1,2) While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

Scripture Lesson - Matthew 2:1-12
Carol #254 (v. 1,2) We Three Kings

Bell Choir Anthem: O Holy Night arr. J.W. Krug

A Christmas Reflection Pastor Choi

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus arr. J.W. Krug

Candle lighting - Please hold lighted candle straight. Tip unlighted candle for the light. (During this last carol we will all light our candles from the Christ candle, showing how Christ's light shines forth in our lives and in our world!)

Over \rightarrow

*Carol #239 Silent Night, Holy Night

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!

*Benediction

*Postlude

Joy to The World

G. Handel

(Please be careful not to drip wax when you extinguish your candle. Receptacles for blown-out candles and drip protectors are at the back of sanctuary.)

Worship Leader: Cheryl Conti Greeters: Art & Lovisa Hill

Readers: Lee Slater, Pauline McShea, Marian Assur

Ushers: Rick Beekman & Diane Johnson

CHURCH STAFF

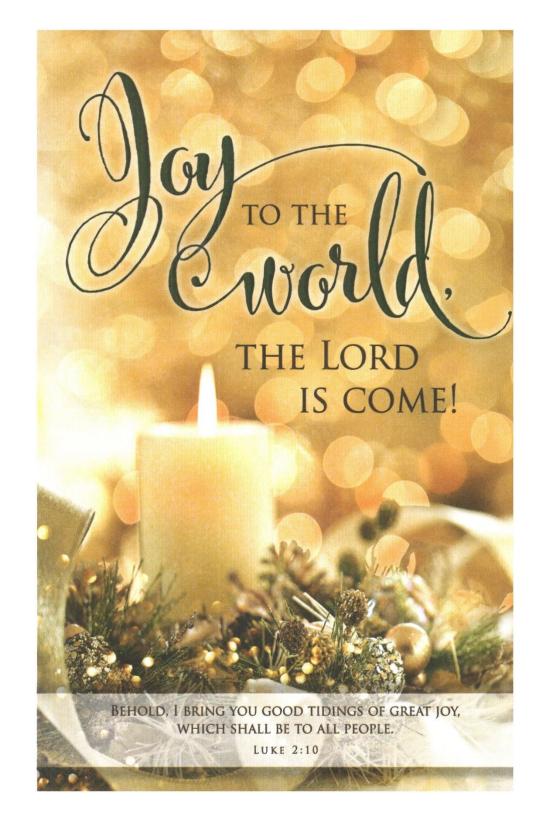
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IN HONOR OF:

Our children & grandchildren My father, Anthony Vitelli

Children Ryan Gormley & Brianna Fechenda

My grandson Levi Fechenda Our grandchildren and children My birthday buddy, Pastor Choi

Beth Schenck

Mimi

Lyndon A.N.C. Elliott – My son

Assur/Bessem families

All those who are in our life now.

Mother Jov Houghton Claire Bunnell Laird

IN MEMORY OF:

My parents, Thomas & Ann Spratt Donald E. Mahan - husband Parents, Albert & Helen Goldberger

Brothers, Richard & Albert S. Goldberger

Parents, Henry & Edith Wells, Art & Louise Hill Husband, Glenn Bromiley, born on Christmas

Doris Peraria, my sister, my friend Arnold & Elaine Slater - parents Blanche Hammond - grandmother Veronica Lynn Udzinski - daughter James W. Plant, Jr. (husband) James W. Plant, III (son)

Shirley Vitelli, Claire & James McShea Sr.

Jennifer & Emily Eismann

Joseph Hughes Sr Poppy

John & Charlotte Decker

Judith Cordrev

Daughter Joyce Previte & Husband Dick Paul

Our Parents

Mrs. Adina A. Reid – my loving mother

Ann Sibole – mother My husband Joel

My dear brother Richard Bonkowski

Loving parents Mr. & Mrs. Rudy Bonkowski Dear sister-in-law Mrs. Carol D'Atrio

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PRESENTED BY:

James & Pauline McShea James McShea (take 1) Beth Mathis (take 1) Beth Mathis (take 1) Lovisa & Art Hill (take 1) Ava Rodriguez (take 1) Your prayer pal (take 1) Alexa & Brenna Suebert Delcita White (take 1) Marian & Leo Assur (take 2)

Diane DeVito

Tim & Holly Gallagher (take 2) Bruce B & Bonnie Nelson

PRESENTED BY:

Beth Mathis (take 1) Eileen Mahan (take 1)

James Goldberger & Eileen Mahan

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Art & Lovisa Hill (take 1) Phyllis Bromiley (take 1)

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James & Pauline McShea

The Eismann family

Joe & Jill Hughes (take 5)

Alexa & Brenna Suebert

Jill Hughes

Joe & Jill Hughes

Norma Paul (take 2)

Susan Paul (take 2)

Delcita White Geoffrey Sibole

Dianne Menzzopane

Joanie D'Atrio Joanie D'Atrio Joanie D'Atrio

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IN MEMORY OF:

Parents, Jane L. & Herbert W. Haines

Brothers, Jay H., Dale E., & Sheridan Haines

Father, John H. Haines

Jim & Marian Steen, "Aunt Pegi" Germain

Parents Joan & Norman Bolton Parents Lee & Walter Schenck

Mom & Dad Sutliff Baby Lily Arbona Mom & Dad Arbona My husband, Art Jonas

Loved Ones

Donald Miller, husband Ruth Townsend, mother Dr. William Cosulich

The Havekost's & the Stevenson's

All those we have lost: in our hearts forever.

Howard Farley – my son

Ann & Ira Dobbs, Julia Vance

David Armstrong

Liam Payne, Mrs. Lucas

Janet Murray

Agnes & Ray Goetz, Doris & Mike Demenchuk

Our loved ones

Parents Sam & Mary Gallagher

Dad Tim Houghton **Judy Pancoast**

Pauline Dunne, K.C. Schorr, Micheal Hartjen

Our parents

Our parents Milton & Martha Cranmer Our parents George & Florence McCarthy

Evelyn Shinn Hooper, Filmore Shinn, Bruce

V. Nelson

PRESENTED BY:

Eva & Rich Mueller (take 1) Eva & Rich Mueller (take 1)

Eva & Rich Mueller The Steen family Beth & Bob Schenck

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Peggy Arbona Peggy Arbona Peggy Arbona

Beverly Jonas (take 1)

Leo & Marian Assur Debbie Miller Debbie Miller Joanie D'Atrio

Robert Havekost (take 2) Robert & Diane DeVito Ruth Farley (take 1)

Arlene Vance

Arlene Vance & Lynn

Demenchuk

Giselle Lucariello The Guido family Lynn Demenchuk

The Barry family (take 1)

Tim & Holly Gallagher Tim & Holly Gallagher Tom Pancoast (take 1) Ken & Judy Schorr

Bill & Alice Welsh The Cranmer children &

spouses, George & Mary

Ellen McCarthy

Bruce & Bonnie Shinn

Nelson

Thank you for adding to the beauty of our Sanctuary this Christmas Season.

Merry Christmas!

Please pick up your plant/s after Christmas Eve Worship Service.

Light a Candle





- Light two candles, Christ is coming Christ, the love of the world!
 Light two candles, Christ is coming Christ is coming soon!
- 3. Light three candles, Christ is coming Christ, the joy of the world! Light three candles, Christ is coming Christ is coming soon!
- 4. Light four candles, Christ is coming Christ, the peace of the world! Light four candles, Christ is coming Christ is coming soon!
- 5. Light the white one, Christ is born Christ, the light of the world! Light the white one, Christ is born Christ is born tonight!