



SAINT LUKE'S
P R E S B Y T E R I A N C H U R C H

December 24, 2023 9 p.m.



In Preparation for Worship

“A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices, for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.” – *O Holy Night*

Prelude Recital of Christmas Music

Carols of the Manger
arr. Dale Wood

Catherine Kitchens, harp

On Christmas Night All Christians Sing
arr. Lloyd Conley

Michele Moebes,
flute

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Sally, JC, and Reed Harvey

Processional Carol* 133 O Come, All Ye Faithful

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson Isaiah 9:2,6-7 Steve Cashwell

Carol* 119 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Second Lesson Isaiah 61:1-11 David King

Carol O Holy Night
arr. John Rutter Chancel Choir

Third Lesson Luke 1:26-38 Anna Jean Lower

Carol 110 Love Has Come

Fourth Lesson Luke 1:39-58 Mary Guerrant

Carol 145 What Child Is This

Fifth Lesson Luke 2:1-7 Sally Harvey

Carol Gesù Bambino
arr. Pietro A. Yon Morgan Potts & Lindsey Sanders

Sixth Lesson Luke 2:8-14 Gil Hearn

Carol The First Noel
arr. Dan Forrest Chancel Choir

Seventh Lesson Luke 2:15-20 Scott Shipley

Carol* 113 Angels We Have Heard on High

Homily Choiring David Lower

Prayers for Christmas Eve and The Lord's Prayer Michael Sanchez

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.

The Offering It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
arr. Wayne Fritchie Jacob Moebes, cello

All are invited to participate in support of God's work at Saint Luke's, in one of three ways:

- 1) Giving envelopes, available in each pew, may be placed inside the Friendship Pads or in the offering plate as they are passed*
- 2) Give online via slpres.org/giving,*
- 3) Send a text message to 73256, starting with the keyword GIVETOSLPRES followed by the amount.*

Song of Praise*

Chancel Choir: A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices, for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn. His power and glory evermore proclaim.

All: A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices, for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn. His power and glory evermore proclaim. Amen.

Sharing the Light of Christ*

Carol* 122 Silent Night

Eighth Lesson* from John 1

In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
He was in the beginning with God.
All things came into being through him,
and without him not one thing came into being.
What has come into being in him was life,
and the life was the light of all people.
The light shines in the darkness,

and the darkness did not overcome it.
The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.
He was in the world, and the world came into being through him;
yet the world did not know him.
He came to what was his own,
and his own people did not accept him.
But to all who received him, who believed in his name,
he gave power to become children of God.
And the Word became flesh and lived among us,
and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son,
full of grace and truth.

Closing Carol* 134

Joy to the World

Benediction*

Postlude*

Go Tell It on the Mountain
arr. Norah Duncan IV

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