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GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

JONATHAN CRUTCHFIELD

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

SAWYER BARNETTE

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you

✦ PROCESSIONAL HYMN 41

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

ADESTE FIDELES

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Leader: Advent has led us to the baby in the manger.

People: Advent has led us to Christmas.

Leader: Advent has led us to stand in awe of Emmanuel, who is God-With-Us:

long ago, right now, and for all eternity.

Tonight, we light the Christ candle.

To Christ, let us pray: Come, holy Jesus, come. Alleluia! Amen.

People: Let us worship God!

LIGHTING CAROL V.5

LIGHT THE CANDLE

CARL SCHALK

(Please remain seated and find the music for this carol in your pew rack.)

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear God, it is not always easy to be good.

It is not always easy to share.

It is not always easy to be kind.

For when we have not done these things, we ask forgiveness.

Help us to remember Jesus and try to be like Him each day.

We pray all these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN 23 - REFRAIN

GLORIA

Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo.

✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

People: And also with you.

✦ HYMN 40

JOY TO THE WORLD!

ANTIOCH

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

LUKE 2:1-10

PAGE 54, NT, PEW BIBLE

✦ HYMN 44

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

ST. LOUIS

(Children are invited to come forward on the final verse of the hymn.)

CHRISTMAS STORY

CHRISTMAS IN THE BARN

MARGARET WISE BROWN

SOLO

IN THE BLEAK MIDWINTER

ARR. JONATHAN CRUTCHFIELD

TAYLOR MORTON, TENOR

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 delivery us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

OFFERTORY

FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN

G. F. HANDEL, ARR. KEVIN MCCHESENEY

THE HANDBELL CHOIR; JEFF PETERS, DIRECTOR; MAC FRAMPTON, PIANO

✦ DOXOLOGY

AWAY IN A MANGER

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures, here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

✦ HYMN 60

SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT

STILLE NACHT

GOING FORTH TO SHARE THE WORD

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

IMPROVISATION

JONATHAN CRUTCHFIELD

(As you exit, our ushers have a gift for each child.)

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



Adoration of the Three Kings - Birth of Christ
Gentile da Fabriano
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