

V:

W:

*** Carol: "Still, Still, Still"**

Still, still, still, He sleeps this night so chill!
The Virgin's tender arms enfolding,
Warm and safe the Child are holding.
Still, still, still, He sleeps this night so chill!

Sleep, sleep, sleep, He lies in slumber deep
While angel hosts from heaven come winging,
Sweetest songs of joy are singing.
Sleep, sleep, sleep, He lies in slumber deep.

X:

Y:

Z:

Lighting of Christ Candle

*** Carol: "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.

Silent night, holy night!
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing,
Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born.

Blessing

Postlude - "O Holy Night"

CHRISTMAS EVE 5PM

Family Worship Service

Prelude: "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" &
"Joy to the World" Lee Augustin

Welcome

Lighting of Advent Candles - Wolfe Family

*** Call to Worship**

One: Do not be afraid; for see — I am
bringing you good news of great joy.

All: **To us is born this day in the city of David
a Savior, the Messiah, the Lord.**

One: This will be a sign for you: you will find a
child wrapped in cloth & lying in a manger.

All: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth
peace! Let us go now to Bethlehem.**

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Great and glorious God, you have shown
us your grace of salvation and new life.**

**Yet we cling to worldly pursuits and
selfish ways. We choose to walk in
darkness, unwilling to see the evil your
light exposes. Cleanse us and free us
through Christ, who gave himself for us,
so that we might be your people, holy and
whole. Amen.**

Introduction to Interactive Activity

Angels : "Hallelujah!"

Shepherds : "Let's go see"

Wise Ones : "Look, a star!"

ABCs of Christmas (by Erin Klassen)

Pastor Edward Yang

A:

*** Carol: "Angels We Have Heard on High"**

Angels we have heard on high.

Sweetly singing o'er the plains,

And the mountains in reply

Echoing their joyous strains.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo

Shepherds, why this jubilee?

Why your joyous strains prolong?

What the gladsome tidings be

Which inspire your heavenly song?

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo

B:

C:

D:

E:

F:

***Carol: "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (vv.1&2)**

O little town of Bethlehem,
 How still we see thee lie!
 Able they deep and dreamless sleep
 The silent stars go by.
 Yet in thy dark streets shineth
 The everlasting light;
 The hopes and fears of all the years
 Are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary;
 And gathered all above,
 While mortals sleep, the angels keep
 Their watch of wondering love.
 O morning stars, together
 Proclaim the holy birth!
 And praises sing to God the King,
 And peace to all on earth.

G:

Scripture Reading: Luke 2:8-18 (CEB)
Pastor Annika L. Stroope

H:

I:

J:

***Carol: "Joy to the World" (vv.1&2)**

Joy to the world! the Lord has come:
 Let earth receive her King;
 Let every heart prepare Him too,
 And heaven and nature sing,
 And heaven and nature sing,
 And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world! the Savior reigns:
 Let us our songs employ;
 While fields and floods, rocks, hills, & plains
 Repeat the sounding joy,
 Repeat the sounding joy,
 Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

K:

L:

***Greeting of Peace**

One: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

One: As Christ offers us peace and forgiveness,
 let us offer a sign of that peace to each other.
 The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you (all share the sign of peace)

M:

Carol: "Away in a Manger" (vv.1&2)

Away in a manger, no crib for His bed,
 The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.
 The stars in the sky looked down where He lay,
 The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the poor Baby wakes,
 But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.
 I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky,
 And stay by my cradle until morning is nigh.

N:

O:

Offertory: "Sweet Little Jesus Boy" (solo)

Rev. Jane Ellefson

P:

***Prayer of Thanksgiving (altogether)**

We give you thanks, Holy One, for the world of wonder you have made—forest and field, sea and sky, and for the gift of grace that you have given—a little child, lying in a manger. Receive these gifts of tenderness and love, of gratitude and praise, and use them for your glory; in the name of Jesus Christ, the child of Bethlehem, we pray. Amen.

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