

**THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD
CHRISTMAS EVE
December 24, 2018
11pm**

PRELUDE Carols

RINGING OF THE BELLS

HYMN LSB 379

*Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful
(Please rise to sing. The choir will sing stanza 2.)*

P: In the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

INTROIT

P: When all was still, and it was midnight.

C: Your almighty Word, O Lord, descended from the royal throne.

P: Sing to the Lord a new song;

C: sing to the Lord, all the earth.

P: Sing to the Lord, praise His name;

C: proclaim His salvation day after day.

P: Declare His glory among the nations,

C: His marvelous deeds among all peoples.

P: For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;

C: He is to be feared above all gods.

P: Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;

C: let the sea resound, and all that is in it;

P: let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them.

OFFERINGS

VOLUNTARY Robert J. Powell

*All My Heart This Night Rejoices
Bring A Torch, Jeanette, Isabella*

CHRISTMAS PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER Back Cover of Hymnal

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN LSB 387

Joy To The World

POSTLUDE David Willcocks

God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

*We thank Tim Fliege, Ashley Rescot, Amy Zepp,, and the members of the
Adult Choir for the special music in our Christmas Eve worship.*

We appreciate the presence of visitors and our Pastors would enjoy
meeting you following the service.

Please join us at 10am Christmas morning
for a celebration of our Lord's birth!

C: Then all the trees of the earth will sing for joy.

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son

C: and to the Holy Spirit:

P: as it was in the beginning,

C: is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: When all was still, and it was midnight,

C: Your almighty Word, O Lord, descended from the royal throne.

LESSON Isaiah 9:2-7

HYMN LSB 361 (st. 1-2)

O Little Town Of Bethlehem

SERMON "Cleaning Up The Mess" Rev. Hemenway
Luke 2:1-7

CAROL Jonathan A. Tuuk
Let Our Gladness Have No End (LSB 381)

HYMN LSB 366 (st. 1, 4)
It Came Upon The Midnight Clear

LESSON Luke 2:1-7

CAROL John Leavitt
Away In A Manger (LSB 364)

LESSON Luke 2:8-14

HYMN LSB 368
Angels We Have Heard On High

LESSON Luke 2:15-20

CAROL Timothy Shaw
We Praise You Jesus, At Your Birth (LSB 382)

HYMN

The First Nowell

*The first Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay,
In fields where they lay, keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.*

Refrain:

*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell
Born is the King of Israel!*

*They looked up, and saw a star
Shining in the east beyond them far.
And to the earth, it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.*

(Refrain)

*Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heav'nly Lord,
That hath made heav'n and earth of naught,
And with his blood mankind hath bought.*

(Refrain)

CHRISTMAS COLLECT

P: O God, because You once caused this holy night to shine with the
Brightness of the true Light, grant that we who have known the
mystery of that Light here on earth may come to the full measure of
its joys in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and
reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

CANDLE LIGHTING

HYMN LSB 363
Silent Night, Holy Night