

What Child is This?



CANDLELIGHT AND COMMUNION SERVICE

CHRISTMAS EVE

WHAT CHILD IS THIS? CHRIST THE LORD!

DECEMBER 24, 2019, 7:00 PM

PRELUDE

Selections for Christmas Eve

Mrs. Fran Wilson
Mr. Sandro Silva
Mr. Adam White

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

LIGHTING OF THE FOUR ADVENT CANDLES

Lynzey Gregson, Acolyte
Conor Montanye, Crucifer

† PROCESSIONAL CAROL 103

O Come, All Ye Faithful

ADESTE FIDELES

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come and behold him, born the King of Angels!

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation; O sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above!

Glory to God, all glory in the highest!

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning, Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n;

Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

INVOCATION

Dr. Andy Roby

THE GREETING

Dr. Brad Smith

CHORAL WORSHIP

Sing, Gloria, Sing!

Chancel Choir

by Joel Raney

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7; 60:1-2

Dr. Roby

The Word of God for the people of God;

Thanks be to God.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

The Smith Family
Brad, Jamie, Alex, and Brooklyn

SONG OF ADORATION

Gesu, Bambino

Dr. Roby and Mrs. Mary Roby

by Pietro Yon

RESPONSIVE READING—PSALM 97:1, 6, 10-12

Dr. Smith

The Lord is King! Let the earth rejoice! Let the distant shores be glad!

**For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.**

The Lord loves those who hate evil; The Lord guards the lives of his faithful;

The Lord rescues them from the hand of the wicked.

Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

† CAROL OF REJOICING 125 ***Angels We Have Heard on High***

GLORIA

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!

Come to Bethlehem and see Him whose birth the angels sing;

come, adore on bended knee, Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 2:1-20

Dr. Smith

MEDITATION

O Holy Night

Mrs. Susan Nelson

by Adolphe Adam

CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING PRAYER

Dr. Roby

CHORAL OFFERTORY

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Chancel Choir

by Joel Raney

CHRISTMAS EVE REFLECTIONS

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Dr. Smith

The Lord Is Come

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Dr. Smith

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

A PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

Dr. Smith

† CANDLELIGHT CAROL 134

Silent Night, Holy Night

STILLE NACHT

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; heaven'ly hosts sing Alleluia.
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

Silent night, holy night, wondrous star, lend them light.
With the angels let us sing alleluia to our King:
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.

† CHIMING OF TRINITY

*As the Trinity is chimed, the Pastor will carry the Christ candle out of the Sanctuary,
signifying that the church is called to bear the light of Christ into the world.*

† RECESSIONAL HYMN 102

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

ANTIOCH

Joy to the world! The Lord is come; let earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare Him room, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns. Let men their songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the nations prove
the glories of His righteousness and wonders of His love.

† POSTLUDE

Mr. Silva

† Please stand as you are able.

Welcome to Christmas Eve worship at The Memorial Baptist Church. We are pleased you have chosen to worship with us on this very special night. If you live in our area, but do not have a church home, we invite you to worship with us again. We pray that your celebration of the birth of Christ will be filled with joy, and your New Year be filled with blessing and many opportunities to serve God.

Christmas Eve Offering—Tonight's loose plate offering will be used to assist our church missions and outreach efforts through the Missions Development Fund. Those wishing to make a contribution to the 2019 church budget are welcome to use one of the envelopes available in the pews.