

# St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

DECEMBER 24, 2020

CHRISTMAS EVE ~ 5:00 PM

## THE PREPARATION

*What Child is This*

SAPC Bluegrass Ensemble

## CALL TO WORSHIP

This year, we dreamed of world peace.

**We dreamed of deep breaths and restful sleep.**

We dreamed of love that lasts and suffering that passes.

**We dreamed of doors open wide and a cure to disease.**

We dreamed, because to dream is to believe.

**For to dream is to hope; to dream is to see.**

So make room in your being to dream yet again,

**Of a world without fear, and a God that draws near.**

For it is almost Christmas.

**Love is almost here.**

May we dream to see, and hope to believe. Let us worship Holy God.

## FIRST LESSON

JOHN'S PROLOGUE

Maddie Westbrook

## CANDLE LIGHTING LITURGY

The Ashby Family

## CAROL

*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! *Refrain*

*Refrain:* O come, let us adore him;

O come, let us adore him;

O come, let us adore him,

Christ, the Lord!

True God from true God, Light from light eternal,

Born of a virgin, a mortal he comes;

Very God, begotten, not created! *Refrain*

Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation;

Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!

Glory to God, all glory in the highest! *Refrain*

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;

Jesus, to thee be all glory given;

Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing! *Refrain*

## SECOND LESSON

JOHN THE BAPTIST

Nathan Phillips

## THIRD LESSON

JESUS IS BORN

Mindy McCarthy & Darya Tabatabaee

## CAROL

*Silent Night*

SAPC Bluegrass Ensemble

## FOURTH LESSON

THE SHEPHERDS

Bret, Laura,  
Annabelle, Vivian & Finnegan Moore

## CAROL

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

ADESTE FIDELES

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains,

And the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains.

*Refrain:* 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? *Refrain*

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

Come, adore on bended knee Christ, the Lord, the newborn King. *Refrain*

**FIFTH LESSON**

THE WISE MEN

Leigh Ann, Shelley,  
Landon & Griffin Millican

**CHRISTMAS OFFERING**

**Offertory**

*In the Bleak Midwinter*

SAPC Bluegrass Ensemble

**CHILDREN’S LESSON**

*Presentation of the 2020 Crismons*

Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

**CHRISTMAS PRAYER**

**SIXTH LESSON**

AND THEN...

Ashley Elder, Preston Jones & Lily Powell

**CAROL**

*Silent Night, Holy Night!*

STILLE NACHT

- 1) 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.
- 3) 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.

- 2) 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!”
- 4) 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.

**CAROL**

*Joy to the World*

ANTIOCH

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her king;  
Let every heart prepare him room,  
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!  
Let all their songs employ,  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, 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, far as the curse is found,  
Far as, 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, and wonders of his love,  
And wonders, wonders of his love.

**BLESSING AND CHARGE**

**BENEDICTION IN MUSIC**

*Go Tell It on the Mountain*

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