



HE WILL BE CALLED

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Christmas by Candlelight

Sunday, December 24

7:00 & 9:00 p.m.

CHRIST CHURCH 

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We GATHER to Hear the Story of Christmas

PRELUDE

WELCOME & INVOCATION

HYMNS OF ADORATION

O Come, All Ye Faithful | The First Noel | Joy to the World

Please stand to join in singing.

THE BIBLE PROCLAIMS CHRIST'S COMING

From Isaiah 9 & Luke 2

Please remain standing to join in a responsive reading and Christmas carol.

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Please be seated.

THE CHRISTMAS STORY

I Wonder as I Wonder (Niles)

I wonder as I wander, out under the sky, how Jesus the Savior did come for to die, for poor ordinary people like you and like I. I wonder as I wander, out under the sky. When Mary birthed Jesus, all in a cow's stall, came wise men and farmers and shepherds and all, and high from the heavens a star's light did fall; the promise of the ages it then did recall. If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing, a star in the sky or a bird on the wing, or all of God's angels in heaven for to sing, He surely could have had it, 'cause He was the king.

THE CHRISTMAS STORY

In the Bleak Midwinter (arr. Forrest)

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan. Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone. Snow had fallen, snow on snow on snow. In the bleak midwinter, long, long ago. Angels and archangels, may have traveled there. Cherubim and seraphim, thronged the air. But only His Mother, in her maiden bliss, worshiped the beloved, with a kiss. What can I give Him? Poor as I am. If I were a shepherd, I would give a lamb. If I were a wise man, I would do my part. But what I can I give Him? Give Him my heart.

THE CHRISTMAS STORY

Shepherd Pipe's Carol (J. Rutter)

Going through the hills on a night all starry, on the way to Bethlehem. Far away I heard a shepherd boy piping, on the way to Bethlehem. Angels in the sky brought this message nigh: "Dance and sing for joy that Christ the newborn King, is come to bring us peace on earth, and He's lying cradled there at Bethlehem." "Tell me, shepherd boy piping tunes so merrily, on the way to Bethlehem. Who will hear your tunes on these hills so lonely, on the way to Bethlehem? "None may hear my pipes on these hills so lonely, on the way to Bethlehem; but a King will hear me play sweet lullabies, when I get to Bethlehem." Angels in the sky came down from on high, hovered

over the manger where the Babe was lying, cradled in the arms of his mother Mary, sleeping now at Bethlehem. “Where is the new King, shepherd boy piping merrily. Is He there at Bethlehem?” “I will find Him soon by the star shining brightly, in the sky o’vr Bethlehem.” Angels in the sky brought this message nigh: “Dance and sing for joy that Christ the king of Kings, is come to bring us peace on earth. And He’s lying cradled there at Bethlehem.” “May I come with you, shepherd boy piping merrily, come with you to Bethlehem? Pay my homage too at the new King’s cradle. Is it far to Bethlehem?” Angels in the sky brought this message nigh: “Dance and sing for joy that Christ the newborn King is born in the stable yonder, born for you and me.”

THE CHRISTMAS STORY

Carols, Rejoice (arr. Purifoy)

Please remain seated and join in singing when directed.

THE CHRISTMAS STORY

Silent Night, Holy Night

Please stand to join in singing.

THE CHRISTMAS STORY

Christus Paradox (arr. Fedak)

You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd. You, Lord, are both prince and slave. You, peacemaker and sword-bringer of the way you took and gave. You the everlasting instant; You, whom we both scorn and crave. Clothed in light upon the mountain, stripped of might upon the cross, shining in eternal glory, beggared by a soldier’s toss, You, the everlasting instant; You, who are both gift and cost. You, who walk each day beside us, sit in power at God’s side. You, who preach a way that’s narrow, have a love that reaches wide. You, the everlasting instant; You, who are our pilgrim guide. Worthy is our earthly Jesus! Worthy is our cosmic Christ! Worthy your defeat and victory. Worthy still your peace and strife. You, the everlasting instant; You, who are our death and life.

THE CHRISTMAS STORY

We RESPOND to What We’ve Heard

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

O Holy Night (A. Adam)

O holy night! The stars are brightly shining; it is the night of the dear Savior’s birth. Long lay the world in sin and error pining ‘til He appeared and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices; for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn. Fall on your knees! Oh, hear the angel voices! O night divine, the night when Christ was born. Truly He taught us to love one another. His law is love, and His Gospel is peace. Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother. And in His name all oppression shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we. Let all within us praise His holy name. Christ is the Lord! Then ever praise we! His power and glory ever more proclaim!

A PRAYER AT CHRISTMAS

Go Tell It On The Mountain (arr. Martin)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Joy To The World! (arr. Marianne Kim)

MERRY CHRISTMAS! | SERVING YOU TONIGHT

Lead Pastor	Rev. Dr. Daniel Meyer
Conductor	Marve Wolterstorff, Interim Choir Director
Musicians	Chamber Choir Brad Jungwirth & Olga Bojovic Soloists Chancel Choir Marianne Kim Organist Margo Misiaszek Pianist String Quartet Sungjoo Kang, Ryan Han, Heeyeon Kim & Daniel Ziesemer Laurel Tempas Flutist
Liturgists	Cathy Lapinski Women's Ministry Director Rev. David Melvin Executive Director, Ministry Resources

MARK YOUR CALENDAR | WORSHIP & WORKSHOPS

December 31 | 9:00 a.m. | Magical | Part 5 | Rev. Aaron Foster

January 7 & 14 | How To Raise Humans in a Complex World

Worship | 9:00 & 10:45 a.m.

Workshops | 12:00–2:00 p.m.

January 7 | Rev. Chuck Hunt | Six Strategies to Help Your Kids & Students Love God and the Church

January 14 | Dr. Steve Argue | Parenting Teenagers and Young Adults: Help and Hope for the Days and Years Ahead

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