December 24, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

Christmas Eve Service of Lessons & Carols

Prelude: *“Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming” – Susan Mazer & Robin Michel*

Welcome

Call to Worship:

Come, people of God. Let us give thanks for these holy days of Christmas.  
**Here we have come to worship the God of new beginnings and new opportunities.**Come, people of God. Let us celebrate and rejoice for the wondrous gifts given to us.  
**Here in our worship, we look to the future as we are filled with the gifts of Christmas: love, hope, peace, joy!  
*All: Now we again sing the joyous carols of Christmas and witness to our Savior’s birth.***

Carol: *“Joy to the World” #135 vs. 1, 3 & 4*

Musical Offering: *“God Is Born” – Les Marsh*

Invocation and The Lord’s Prayer (debts)

Christmas Reflection: Pastor Sharon

Musical Offering: *“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly” – Laureen Galayda*

Lessons & Carols

First Lesson: *The Prophecy Isaiah 7:14 & Isaiah 9:6-7*

*Barbara McKay*

Carol: *“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear” #134*

Second Lesson: *Bethlehem and the Birth Luke 2:1-7*

*Robin Michel*

Carol: *“The First Noel” #131 vs. 1, 2, & 4*

Third Lesson: *The Appearance of the Angels Luke 2:8-14*

*Lynn Saucier*

Carol: *“O Come, All Ye Faithful” #133*

Fourth Lesson: *The Shepherds at the Manger Luke 2:15-20*

*Ginni Butler*

Musical Offering: *“O Holy Night” – Les Marsh*

Fifth Lesson: *The Magi Matthew 2:1-2, 5-6, 9-11*

*Laureen Galayda*

Carol: *“We Three Kings of Orient Are” #164 vs. 1, 2, 3, & 5*

Candle Lighting Service

Lighting of the Christ Candle – Jennifer Howes-Mueller & Stefan Panezcko

Carol: *“Silent Night, Holy Night” #151*

Benediction

Postlude: *“On Christmas” – Les Marsh*