

Christmas Eve
Worship
TCC Norton
December 24, 2021



Prelude "Dance of the Blessed Spirits" Gluck

Welcome

Carol No. 132 vs. 1, 3 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Tonight we light one candle for Christ.

Because the world is broken and the wait is long, but Christ is with us through it all.

In humble manger in a backwater town - a baby. On a convict's cross - a king.

In every heart and every home where hope, peace, joy, and love endure - Christ is with us.

"Glory to God in the Highest heaven," she whispers, "and peace to all on earth."

So we light one candle, because it only takes one: **Christ is with us.**

Anthem "Can You Hear the Christmas Bells?" Joel Raney

Congregational Prayer

O God, in whom all hearts find welcome, we confess that sometimes we have trouble making room for the Christ Child in our hearts. Too many other activities and thoughts crowd out this birth. Like the innkeeper, we often relegate Jesus to some out-of-the-way corner of our lives. We have little room for anything we haven't planned. O God, in whom all hearts find shelter, have mercy upon us. Forgive us our sins, that we would welcome the One who is born for all humanity. Amen.

Response "Angels We Have Heard on High"

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains, and the mountains in reply echo back their joyous strains. Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Gospel Reading Luke 2:1-14

Bell Anthem "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" arr. Jason W. Krug

Christmas Message

Carol No. 120 vs. 1, 3 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Offering & Christmas Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Anthem

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

arr. R. Vaughan Williams

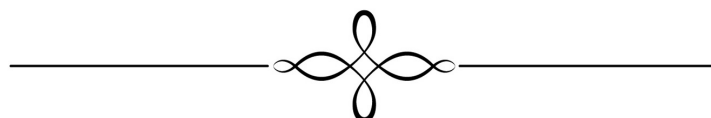
The Lighting of the Candles

Carol No. 138

“Silent Night, Holy Night”

Tolling of the Bell

Blessing



Flower & Food Dedications:

Merry Christmas and the happiest of New Years
from the Kollett family

In memory of Lou Coburn for his hard work
and generosity from Pam, Scott, & Jeff Holman

In memory of my mom Marjorie Pickering
from Priscilla Wiseman

In honor of our TCC friends and families
from Kurt & Karen Bischoff

In memory of our loved ones
from the Lach family

In memory of our parents
from Lawrence & Gloria Trecartin

In celebration of
Kurt & Karen Bischoff's 50th Anniversary
from the Bressler & Luoma families

***A VERY BLESSED AND
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!***

This evening's service is led by the
Rev. Bernard C. Hinckley, Pastor of the
Trinitarian Congregational Church

Participating in tonight's service:

Organist: Ann Sears

Choir and Bell Choir Director: Kristen Bressler

Adult Choir and Bell Choir

Flute: Melanie Stewart

Tolling of the Bell: Miles Bressler

10% of tonight's offering will help retired clergy
and their spouses by supplementing pensions
and health insurance.

Please place the candles in the basket by the door
as you leave.

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