

# The Congregation Gathers

Prelude Kyle Miller, Organist

Welcome

Opening Prayer

† Carol #113 Angels We Have Heard on High

The Lighting of the Advent Candles and the Christ Candle

# **Proclaiming God's Word**

Joyful Ringers It Came Upon the Midnight Clear Arr. Kinyon

Scripture Reading Luke 2:1-15

Special Music Infant Holy, Infant Lowly Arr. Berg

Jennifer Neel, Soloist

Scripture Reading John 1:1-18

Meditation Light in Darkness Rev. Dr. Ben Trawick

Prayer

# **Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings**

Special Music Welcome to Our World Smith

Jim Lawson, Barbara Lawson, Kylie Baker

Prayer of Dedication

#### The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayer

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Please come forward via the center aisle and return to your pew via the outside aisle, as directed by the ushers. If you are unable to come forward, please remain in your seat and the elders will bring the elements to you.

#### Hymns During Communion

Away in a Manger - #115 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing - #119 O Come, All Ye Faithful - #133 Still, Still, Still - #124

Prayer after Communion

# **Lighting of Candles**

Please tip unlighted candle toward your neighbor's lighted candle.

**†** Hymn #122

Silent Night, Holy Night

# The Congregation Departs

† Blessing

Postlude

Kyle Miller, Organist

Please place your extinguished candles in one of the baskets in the Narthex as you leave.

You are invited to Wester Hall for a time of fellowship and reconnecting with old friends before you go home to await Christmas Day.

Your Greeter this evening was Judy Smith.



#### TO OUR GUESTS...

WE ARE VERY GLAD YOU CHOSE TO WORSHIP WITH US THIS EVENING! We hope you experience the joy and peace of the celebration of Christ's birth while you are here. Please sign the friendship register in the pew so that we can greet you by name and call or visit you if you wish. Use the prayer cards in the pew if you have requests that you would like to make known to us.

ALL SERVICES WELCOME CHILDREN OF ALL AGES AND THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS. Should you need childcare for your little ones during the service, we provide a nursery for infants through 3-year-olds downstairs in the Nursery Suite (Rooms 3 & 5).

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT GRACE CHURCH, PLEASE SEE A MEMBER OF THE EVANGELISM TEAM OR AN USHER. First time guests are treated to a loaf of bread and an information packet that explains our mission and ministry in the community and in the world. Information is in the Narthex just outside the door of the Sanctuary.



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