

# A Service of Lessons and Carols

Christmas Eve 2022

*And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory,  
the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.*

—John 1:14

## Words of Welcome

Mark Stanley

## Solo

“Gesù Bambino”  
Pietro A. Yon

Beth Pensiero

## Anthem

“Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light”  
J. S. Bach

Choir

## Lighting of the Christ Candle *(responsive)*

The Haskins Family

We light this candle as a sign of the light of Christ.

**The light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness has not overtaken it.**

## \*Opening Hymn 133

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

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## Prayers of Intercession

Mark Stanley

## The Lord's Prayer *(unison)*

**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.**

## A Moment for Children

*O Not-So-Little Town*

Dwight Christenbury

## Lessons and Carols

*A great light in the darkness*—Isaiah 9:2–7

Diane Bowers

Hymn 152

“What Star Is This”

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*A little child will lead them*—Isaiah 11:1–4a, 6–9

Bud Weeks

Hymn 128

“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

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*An angel appears to Mary*—Luke 1:26–35, 38

Sally Beghtol

Anthem

“My Soul Glorifies the Lord”  
David Foley

Choir

*Mary gives birth in Bethlehem*—Luke 2:1–7

Dean Christenbury

Hymn 114

“Away in a Manger”

CRADLE SONG

*Angels announce the Messiah*—Luke 2:8–16

Sally Beghtol

Hymn 113

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

GLORIA

*Magi come from the East*—Matthew 2:1–11

Dwight Christenbury

Hymn 150

“As with Gladness Men of Old”

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*And the Word became flesh*—John 1:1–14

Mark Stanley

## The Lighting of Candles

Statement of Purpose and Instructions

Dwight Christenbury

## \*Hymn 122

“Silent Night, Holy Night!”

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## \*Closing Hymn 134

“Joy to the World”

ANTIOCH

*continued on reverse*

**\*Blessing and Charge**

Mark Stanley

May the Christ, who, by his incarnation,  
gathered into one the things of heaven and earth,  
fill you with the sweetness of inward peace and goodwill,  
and the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you always.

**Alleluia!**

Go forth in peace and joy.

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**\*Choral Response**

“Ding Dong Merrily on High”

Choir

John Leavitt

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*\* You are invited to stand, in body or spirit.*

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***Join us for Christmas Day Worship***

**Sunday, December 25**

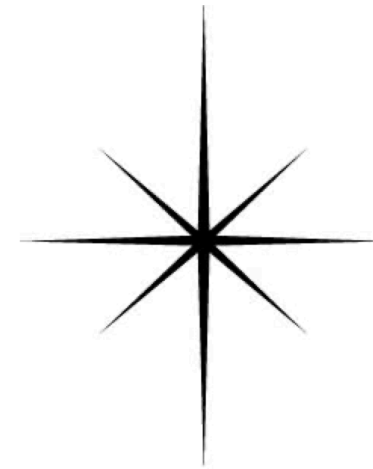
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**A Christmas Eve Service of**

# **Lessons & Carols**



**Saturday, December 24, 2022 • 7:00 p.m.**

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