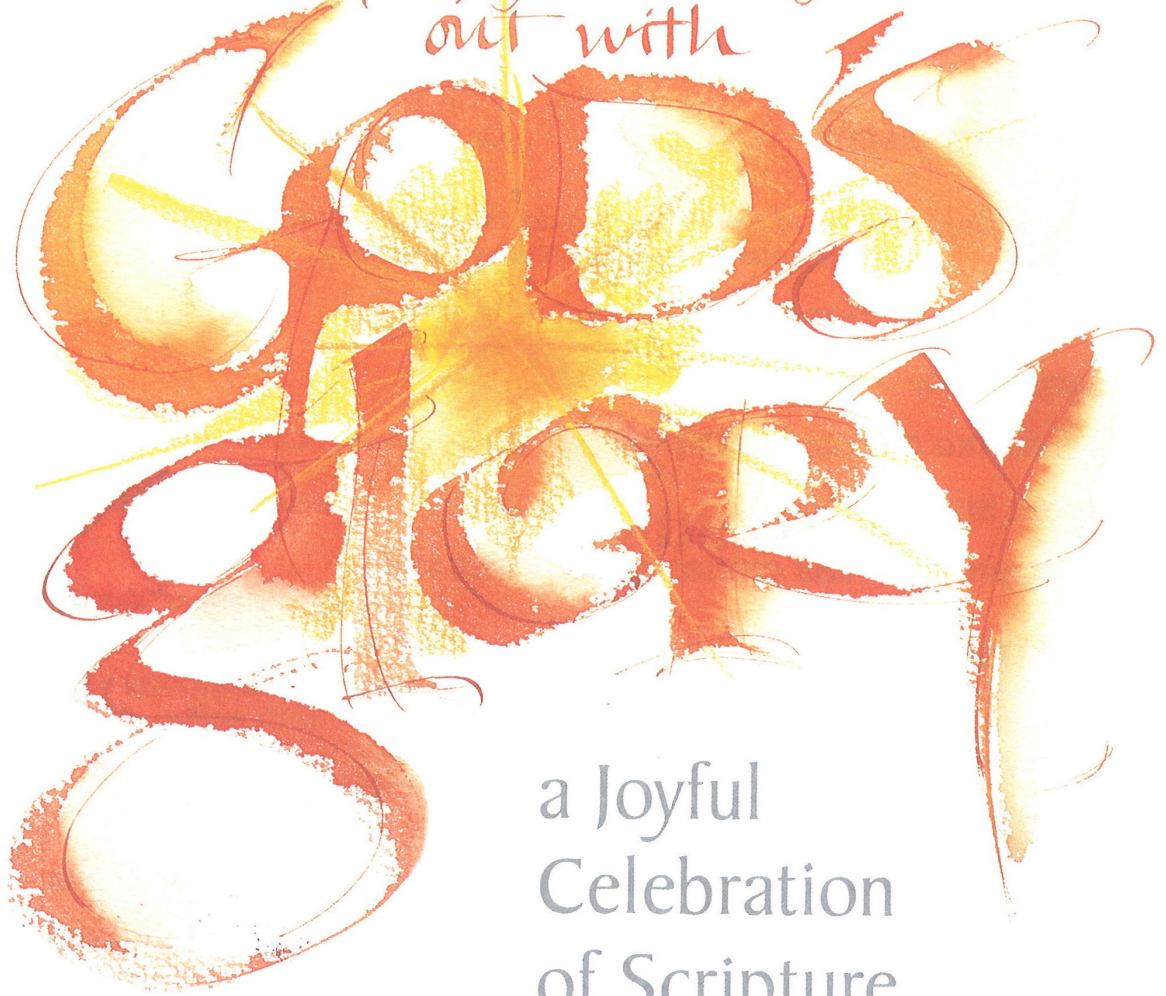


God's Son shines
out with



a Joyful
Celebration
of Scripture
and Song
for Christmas

Christmas Eve 2011

10:30pm Candlelight Communion

** Means to stand as you are able*

Bold font indicates the Congregation joins in reading

ORGAN PRELUDE

*On This Day Earth Shall Ring ~
arranged by Johnson*

*During this time of worship, our quiet meditation enables all of us
to enter into God's awesome presence.*

TOLLING OF THE CHURCH BELL

WELCOME

***OPENING CAROL** UMH #211 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

***THE BIDDING PRAYER** Rev. Eun-Hye Choi

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST ADVENT WREATH

Henbest family

PRAYER

Reconciling God, you have bridged the gap between darkness and light. May we move closer to the light of Christ with each passing breath. Amen.

ADVENT HYMN TFWS #2090 *Advent Song (vs. 5)*

FIRST LESSON The Prophet Announced the Birth of a King

FIRST CAROL UMH #196 *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

SECOND LESSON The King is Coming

SECOND CAROL UMH #224 *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*

THIRD LESSON The Response of Mary

THIRD CAROL *Candlelight Carol, John Rutter
Chancel Choir*

FOURTH LESSON

The Response of Joseph

FOURTH CAROL

UMH #245 (vs. 1, 4, & 5)

*The First Noel***FIFTH LESSON**

The Humble Birth

FIFTH CAROL*Son of Love with Breathe ~*
Sherry Scates & Larry Stephens**SIXTH LESSON**

The Wise Men Brought Gifts

SIXTH CAROL

UMH #254 (vs. 1, 2, & 5)

*We Three Kings***OFFERING**

Offertory

O Holy Night, Adolphe Adam
Soloist Larry Stephens

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

HOLY COMMUNION**INVITATION AND CALL TO CONFESSION**

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

COMMON CONFESSION

Gracious God, who promised to send a Redeemer to your people, we confess that we have not trusted your promise, but have busied ourselves with activities which obstruct its fulfillment. We give presents, but fail to be present with one another. We socialize with friends, but fail to welcome the stranger in our midst. We create commotion, but refuse to receive your peace. Forgive us, God, for our busyness and our lack of trust. Teach us to wait with expectant patience for the fulfillment of your promise to us. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE AND PARDON

Hear the good news: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners... If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Glory to God. Amen.

Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love. The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

(Here you may greet those next to you with a sign of peace)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(See Insert)

OUR LORD'S PRAYER ("trespasses")

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP Please join in singing these hymns:

UMH #216 ~ *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

UMH #217 ~ *Away in a Manger*

UMH #219 ~ *What Child Is This*

UMH #220 ~ *Angels from the Realms of Glory*

***SEVENTH LESSON**

Light of the World

***SEVENTH CAROL WITH CANDLE LIGHTING**

(See Insert)

Silent Night, Holy Night

(The flame will pass from the Christ candle to the ushers and down the two aisles. Sing verse 1, 2 & 3 during the candle lighting. Sing verse 4 a cappella. Please tilt the unlit candle toward the lit candle to avoid dripping wax)

***BENEDICTION**

***CLOSING CAROL** UMH #246

Joy to the World

PEAL OF THE BELLS

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Now Sing We, Now Rejoice ~ Bach

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