



**Lakeside Presbyterian Church**  
**Christmas Eve**  
**December 24, 2017, 9:00 p.m.**

**Gathering**

**ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

*The Shepherds sang praise  
From heaven above to earth I come*

Helmut Walcha  
Johann Pachelbel

**WELCOME**

**INTROIT**

*All My Heart This Night Rejoices*

Johann Georg Ebeling

*All my heart this night rejoices as I hear, far and near, sweetest angel voices; "Christ is born," their choirs are singing till the air everywhere now with joy is ringing.*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Leader: Arise, shine; for your light has come.*

**PEOPLE: And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.**

*Leader: For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;*

**PEOPLE: But the Lord will arise upon you, and the glory of the Lord will be seen upon you.**

*Leader: And nations shall come to your light.*

**PEOPLE: And kings to the brightness of your rising.**

*Leader: Lift up your eyes round about, and see;*

**PEOPLE: They all gather together; they come to you.**

*Lighting of the Christ Candle*

**\*HYMN #133**

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

ADESTE FIDELES

**\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)**

**O Lord, our God: In our darkness, we have wondered if Your Light would ever shine. In our impatience, we have doubted You would ever come. In our restlessness, we have turned to other messiahs. Have mercy on us, and forgive us that we may drop our doubts and put away our false gods. We ask for Your grace that we may be as eager as the shepherds, as tenacious as the magi, as faithful as Joseph, as thoughtful as Mary, and as open as all of them to receive You as our Lord and Savior.**

**\*TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER**

**\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

*Leader: Hear this good news! Be not afraid, for to you is born a Savior, who is Christ the Lord!*

**PEOPLE: The good news of the gospel is that there is always more love in God than sin in us.**

*Leader: Friends: Believe the good news of the gospel!*

**PEOPLE: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

**\* PASSING THE PEACE**

*Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.*

**People: And also with you.**

**\* GLORIA**

*Love Has Come, verse 3*

*(Hymn #110)*

*Love has come and never will leave us! Love is life everlasting and free. Love is Jesus within and among us. Love is the peace our hearts are seeking. Love! Love! Love is the gift of Christmas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!*

**The Word**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**THE PROPHECY**

Isaiah 9:2, 6; 11:1-2, 6

*Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;*

**PEOPLE: Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has the light shined.**

*Leader: To us a child is born.*

**PEOPLE: To us a son is given**

*Leader: There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.*

**PEOPLE: And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him.**

*Leader: The wolf shall dwell with the lamb.*

**PEOPLE: And the leopard shall lie down with the kid,**

*Leader: And the calf and the lion and the fatling together,*

**PEOPLE: And a little child shall lead them.**

*Leader: His name will be called Wonderful Counselor.*

**PEOPLE: His name will be called Mighty God.**

*Leader: His name will be called Everlasting Father.*

**PEOPLE: His name will be called Prince of Peace.**

*Leader: To us a child is born.*

**PEOPLE: To us a son is given.**

**THE CHRISTMAS GOSPEL**

Luke 2:1-20

(N.T., p. 58)

**GOSPEL READING**

Luke 2:1-5

**HYMN**

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep The silent stars go by.  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth The everlasting light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary; And gathered all above.  
While mortals sleep, the angels keep Their watch of wondering love.  
O morning stars, together Proclaim the holy birth!  
And praises sing to God the King, And peace to all on earth.

How silently, how silently, The wondrous gift is given!  
So God imparts to human hearts The blessings of His heaven.  
No ear may hear His coming, But in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive Him, still the dear Christ enters in.

**GOSPEL READING**

Luke 2:6-7

**ANTHEM**

*Nativity Carol*

John Rutter

*Born in a stable so bare, born so long ago; born 'neath light of star He who loved us so. Far away, silent he lay born today, your homage pay, for Christ is born for aye born on Christmas Day. Cradled by mother so fair, tender her lullaby; over her son so dear angel hosts fill the sky. Far away, silent he lay born today, your homage pay, for Christ is born for aye born on Christmas Day. Love in that stable was born into our hearts to flow; innocent dreaming babe, make me thy love to know. Far away, silent he lay born today, your homage pay, for Christ is born for aye born on Christmas Day.*

**GOSPEL READING**

Luke 2:8-14

**ANTHEM**

*It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*

Arthur Sullivan

*It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old, from angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth, goodwill to men, from heaven's all-gracious King." The world in solemn stillness lay, to hear the angels sing. Still through the cloven skies they come with peaceful wings unfurled, and still their heavenly music floats o'er all the weary world; above its sad and lowly plains, they bend on hovering wing, and ever o'er its Babel sounds the blessed angels sing. Yet with the woes of sin and strife the world has suffered long; beneath the angel-strain have rolled two thousand years of wrong; and man, at war with man, hears not the love-song which they bring: O hush the noise, ye men of strife, and hear the angels sing!*

**GOSPEL READING**

Luke 2:15-20

**HYMN**

*What Child Is This*

What Child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet While shepherds watch are keeping?  
This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary!

Why lies He in such mean estate Where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here The silent Word is pleading.  
This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary!

**SERMON**

*Jesus' Family*

The Rev. Bill Love

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

[from *A Declaration of Faith*]

**God sent the promised Deliverer to God's people.**

**Jesus, the long-expected Savior,  
came into the world as a child,  
descended from David,  
conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of Mary, a virgin.**

**He announced to his people  
the coming of God's kingdom  
of justice and peace on earth.**

**We affirm that Jesus was born of woman  
as is every child,**

**Yet born of God's power  
as was no other child.**

**In the person and work of Jesus,  
God and a human life  
are united but not confused  
distinguished but not separated.**

**The coming of Jesus was itself  
the coming of God's promised rule.**

**Through his birth, life, death, and resurrection,  
he brings about the relationship  
between God and humanity  
that God always intended. Amen.**

**\*HYMN #112**

*On Christmas Night All Christians Sing*

SUSSEX CAROL

## **Eucharist**

**GREETING AND INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

*Noël on the Flûtes*

Louis-Claude Daquin

**THE JOY OFFERING**

**\* DOXOLOGY**

*(Tune: Angels We Have Heard On High)*

*Praise God from whom blessings flow. Praise God, creatures here below. Praise above ye heavenly hosts Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Lord's Supper here!  
The elements we serve are bread, gluten-free bread, and grape juice*

## GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Leader: The Lord be with you.*

**People: And also with you.**

*Leader: Lift up your hearts.*

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

*Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PRAYERS and CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

ADESTE FIDELES

**Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation! Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!**

**Glory to God, all Glory in the highest! O come let us adore Him,**

**O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!**

## PRAYERS and CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

GREENSLEEVES

**So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh; Come, one and all, to own Him.**

**The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving hearts enthrone Him.**

**This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;**

**Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary!**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*(Hymnal page 35)*

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

## COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE *(Please hold the elements that we might all eat together)*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

**Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE CANDLE LIGHTING

### \*HYMN

*Silent Night! Holy Night!*

Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright.

Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child. Holy infant so tender and mild,

Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight.

Glories stream from heaven afar Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia,

Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night! Son of God love's pure light.  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face With dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth. Jesus Lord, at Thy birth.

Silent night, holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light;  
With the angels let us sing, Let us sing, Alleluia to our King;  
Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born!

**\*BENEDICTION**

**HYMN**

*Joy to the World*

Joy to the world! The Lord is come; Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare him room, And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven and nature sing, And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world! The Savior reigns; Let us our songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains, Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, Nor thorns infest the ground;  
He comes to make His blessings flow Far as the curse is found,  
Far as the curse is found, Far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love, And wonders, wonders of His love.

**POSTLUDE**

*Noël Suisse*

Louis-Claude Daquin

\* Those who are able please stand

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## *Poinsettia Dedications*

The Aschettino family in memory of loved ones  
Carolyn Bergs in memory of Ardeth Taylor and Brunhilda Graff  
Carolyn Bergs in honor of The Taylor/Bergs Family  
Jim & Pam Bernard in honor of Pam's parents Russ & Marlene Letsinger  
Jim & Pam Bernard in memory of Jim's parents William & Florence Bernard  
Doug & Desma Borland in honor of Jackie, Madison, Lindsee, Heidi, and Nathan  
Doug & Desma Borland in memory of Cliff & Pat Borland  
Doug & Desma Borland in memory of Vivien Augur  
Carol Bredemeyer in memory of Catherine, Marian, and Jane  
Don & Yvonne Breyley in memory of loved ones  
Don & Yvonne Breyley in honor of our wonderful church family  
Orville & Betty Bryant in honor of our families  
Tom & Peggy Clark in honor of our children Brittany, Victor, Brad, and Jeff  
and our grandson Milo  
Tom & Peggy Clark in memory of Lorraine, Bill, Kathleen, Chase and Robert  
Wayne & Tracy Clark in memory of our loved ones who have passed  
Wayne & Tracy Clark in honor of our children  
Ross & Susan Crawford in memory of David Crawford  
Ross & Susan Crawford in memory of Baxter Courts  
Ross & Susan Crawford in memory of C.F & Wilma Earnhardt  
Ross & Susan Crawford in memory of Ward & Tommy Oakley  
Rosemarie & John Deye in honor of our children and grandchildren  
The Deye family in memory of Dinah Deye  
Leo & Jeanne Dolan in memory of our parents Benjamin & Margaret and Leo & Mary  
Joan & Val Dolwick in memory of our parents Edna, Art, Helen, and Val  
Peggy & Ron Dunn in honor of our children Denise, Robin, and Mark  
Jim & Evelyn Eck in honor of family and friends  
Jim & Evelyn Eck in memory of Mildred & Robert Harvey,  
Wanda & Jim Eck, and Robert Osswald  
Anne Edmiston in memory of John  
Ned & Debbie Elicker in memory of Matthew Elicker  
Ned & Debbie Elicker in memory of Robert & Lois Elicker  
Willogene Erving in memory of the love of my life, Bob  
Tom & Fran Feronti in memory of our parents Mr. & Mrs. James Feronti and  
Mr. & Mrs. Milton Roberts  
Laura, Will, and Luke Greiwe in memory of Jason Greiwe  
The Guttadauro Family in honor of forever families  
The Kwozalla Family in memory of Opal Kwozalla  
The Kwozalla Family in memory of Bill Kwozalla

*\*\*Names Continued on the Back*

*Poinsettia Dedications (continued)*

The Kwozalla Family in honor of Joann Kwozalla

Bob & Stephanie Lee in honor of our daughters Annabelle and Josephine

Bob & Stephanie Lee in honor of our parents Mary, Judy, Gary, and Rick

Rick & Harue Marquardt in memory of James F. Marquardt Sr.

Rick & Harue Marquardt in honor of Sue Marquardt

David & Linda May in honor of Megan, Alec, Molly, Aubrey, Haley, Alex, Davis, and Landon

Chuck & LaCretia Myser in memory of Roger & Mable Hunt and Willard Myser

Chuck & LaCretia Myser in honor of Mary Myser

Ken & Brenda Palmer in honor of family and friends

Maggie Peale in honor of my students at Nations Ford Elementary school

Dan & Carol Points in memory of our parents

David & Marilyn Reibold in honor of our children and grandchildren

Ward & Melissa Rice in memory of of Ward "Spuds" Rice

Ward & Melissa Rice in memory of of David Felix

Claire Rummel in memory of Helen Pohhitt, my dear mother

Claire Rummel in honor of Susan Foote

Claire Rummel in memory of Gary Hasselbeck

David & Nancy Schlothauer in memory of Trudy & Alex Schlothauer

David & Nancy Schlothauer in memory of Margaret & Fred Bender

Gerald & Ann Silvers in memory of loved ones

Kevin & Tiffany Wolff in honor of our parents Gayle Siber and Ralph & Arline Wolff

Kevin & Tiffany Wolff in honor of our children Mariah & Addison Wolff

**\*\*You may take your poinsettias after the service.\*\***

Prayer List

**Church members on our prayer list:** David Brewster, Don & Yvonne Breyley, Watts Crutchfield, Beth Dieter, Susan Foote, Sherry Hahn, Marilyn Hagenseker, Lucille Hall, Sarah Harvie, Lois Houchins, Stephanie Lee, Russ Letsinger, The Lohre Family, Joe McGee, Jennifer & Melorah McMahan, Tom Miller Jr. & family, David Schenk, Don & Mary Ann Springer, Fran Whitson

**We've also been asked to pray for:** Pam Edmiston, Carol Williamson, Tom Breyley, Patrick Simms, Lc. Cpl. Anton Breyley, Lina Torres, Kyle Zulauf, Heather Fraller, Lyndi Halverson, Joyce Mattan, Sue Speaks, Judy Gatch