Teach me your way, O Lord, give me an undivided heart that I may walk in your truth; to revere your name.

- PSALM 86:11
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A large print bulletin with scripture and hymns for those who require it is available in the narthex.

At the sign • you may stand. Bold text is read or sung in unison.

Prelude      Noël Provençal                         Marcel Grandjany
Ukrainian Bell Carol/ God Rest Ye Merry    arr. Ernie and Becky Brock
Air for the G String                       J.S. Bach, arr. Faith Carman
Il est né                                     arr. Ernie and Becky Brock
Bring a Torch, Jeannette, Isabella        arr. Yolanda Kondonassis
Patapan                                       arr. Ernie and Becky Brock

Welcome                                       Lauren J. McFeaters

• Call to Worship                          Luke 2:1-7

• Hymn                                      O Come, All Ye Faithful              Red Hymnal 133

Collect for Christmas

First Lesson                                  Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19                 Len Scales
"What is this that you have done?"

Anthem                                      Adam Lay Ybounden                      Carson Cooman
                                            text Anon. 15th cent. carol

Adam lay ybounden, bounden in a bond;
four thousand winters thought he not too long.
And all was for an apple, an apple that he took,
as clerkès finden written in their book.
Ne had the apple taken been, the apple taken been;
ne had never our Lady abeen heavenè queen.
Blessed be the time that apple taken was.
Therefore we moun singen Deo gracias!
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here.

2. O come, thou Day-spring, come and cheer Our spirits by thine advent here; Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, And spread before us morning's light.

3. O come, thou Wisdom from on high, And order all things, heart and mind; Bid envy, strife and quarrels cease; Fill us with the love of God's own love.

4. O come, Desire of nations, bind All peoples in one life unending. Guide us to the knowledge of thy ways, That we may walk in thy paths.

Refrain

Til the Son of God appear, death's dark shadows put to flight. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel! Shall come to thee, O Israel! Amen.
Second Lesson  
*Genesis 22:15-18*  
"...all the nations of the earth gain blessing..."

Anthem  
*Christ's Lullaby*  
Sally Ann Morris  
text: Mary Louis Bringle

Come, see the small one cradled in straw.  
God’s whole creation gathers in awe.  
Worlds hushed in silence hear from on high morning stars singing Christ’s lullaby.  

Wind of God’s Spirit, new baby’s breath,  
mingle in drawing life out of death.  
Empty and yearning, earth fills with song,  
no longer waiting, wondering how long.  

Through hills and valleys, crying will cease.  
God’s holy promise shines forth in peace.  
Night full of splendor! Tame beasts and wild bow down together, worship the child.  

God never slumbers. Yet, at the breast  
Jesus the Christ child nestles at rest.  
Angels are watching, hovering on high,  
echoing Glory! Christ’s lullaby.

Third Lesson  
*Isaiah 9:2-7*  
"For a child has been born for us..."

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Hymn  
*Once in Royal David's City*  
Red Hymnal 140  
verse 1 - solo  
verses 2, 3, 4 - all

Fourth Lesson  
*Isaiah 11:1-9*  
"...and a little child shall lead them."
Anthem

Sussex Carol

English carol
arr. Dale Wood

On Christmas night all Christians sing to hear the news the angels bring.
News of great joy, news of great mirth, news of our merciful King’s birth.
Then why should we on earth be sad since our Redeemer made us glad,
when from our sin he set us free, all for to gain our liberty?
When sin departs before his grace, then life and health come in its place;
angels and earth with joy may sing, all for to see the newborn King.
All out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night,
“Glory to God and peace to all, now and forevermore. Amen.”

Fifth Lesson

Luke 1:26-35
Karen Brown

"Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you."

Anthem

Nova, Nova!

Michael Bedford

The angel Gabriel by name,
unto the Virgin Mary came,
with joyful news unto the same.
Nova, nova! Tidings of salvation!
Then said the angel, “Do not fear,
I bring glad news for you to hear:
You will bring forth God’s Son so dear.”
Nova, nova! Tidings of salvation!
Then Mary looked unto the sky:
“Be as it pleases God on high,
whose name my soul shall magnify.”
Nova, nova! Tidings of salvation!
By her the Christ Child comes to earth,
in Bethlehem to have his birth;
let all the world be filled with mirth!
Nova, nova! Tidings of salvation!

Sixth Lesson

Luke 2:1,3-7
Carrie Mitchell

"And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth."
Hymn
What Child Is This
Red Hymnal 145

Anthem
Earth, Strike Up Your Music
Jessica French
text Christina Rosetti

Christmas hath a darkness brighter than the blazing noon,
Christmas hath a chillness warmer than the heat of June,
Christmas hath a beauty lovelier than the world can show:
for Christmas bringeth Jesus, brought for us so low.

Earth, strike up your music, birds that sing and bells that ring;
Heaven hath answering music for all angels soon to sing:
Earth, put on your whitest bridal robe of spotless snow:
For Christmas bringeth Jesus, brought for us so low.

Seventh Lesson
Luke 2:8-16
Donna Saragnese
"I am bringing you good news of great joy for all people."

Anthem
Before the Marvel of This Night
Carl Schalk
text Jaroslav Vajda

Before the marvel of this night, adoring, fold your wings and bow;
then tear the sky apart with light and with your news the world endow.
Proclaim the birth of Christ and peace, that fear and death and sorrow cease:
sing peace; sing peace; sing gift of peace!

Awake the sleeping world with song: this is the day the Lord has made.
Assemble here, celestial throng, in royal splendor come arrayed.
Give earth a glimpse of heavenly bliss, a teasing taste of what they miss:
sing bliss; sing bliss; sing endless bliss!

The love that we have always known, our constant joy and endless light,
now to the loveless world be shown, now break upon its deathly night.
Into one song compress the love that rules our universe above:
sing love; sing love; sign God is love!

Hymn
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
Red Hymnal 119

Eighth Lesson
Matthew 2:1-11
Joseph Kwan
"For we have observed his star at its rising, and we have come to pay him homage."
O'er the hill and o'er the vale
come three kings together,
caring naught for snow and hail,
cold and windy weather;
now on Persia's sandy plains,
now where Tigris swells with rains,
they their camels tether;
now through Syrian lands they go,
now through Moab, faint and slow,
now o'er Edom's heather.

O'er hill and o'er vale
each king bears a present:
wise men go a child to hail,
monarchs seek a peasant:
and a star in front proceeds,
over rocks and rivers leads,
shines with beams incessant:
therefore onward, onward, still!
Ford the stream and climb the hill:
Love makes all things pleasant.

He is God ye go to meet:
therefore incense proffer:
He is king ye go to greet:
gold is in your coffer:
also Man, He comes to share
every woe that we can bear,
tempter, railer, scoffer:
therefore now, against the day
in the grave when Him they lay
myrrh ye also offer.

O'er the hill and o'er the vale
come three kings together…
Ninth Lesson

John 1:1-14
"The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world."

- Hymn
  Silent Night, Holy Night!
  Red Hymnal 122

Postlude
  Carol Rhapsody
  Richard Purvis
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Lauren J. McFeaters

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Elem Eley, soloist
Noel Werner, director
Don Dolan, organ
John Lane, flute
Elaine Christy, harp
Michael Cooney, cello

Musicians

Sound Engineer
Nick Mastalesz

Musicians
Jeff Santoro
Ryan Santoro
Silent Night, Holy Night!

1 Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright
2 Silent night, holy night! Shep-herds quake at the sight;
3 Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love’s pure light
4 Silent night, holy night! Won-drous star, lend thy light;

‘round yon vir - gin moth-er and child! Ho - ly In-fant, so ten-der and
glo - ries stream from heav-en a - far, heaven-ly hosts sing “Al - le - lu -
ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face, with the dawn of re-deem -
with the an - gels let us sing Al - le - lu - ia to our

ia: Christ the Sav - ior is born; Christ the Sav - ior is born!”

KOREAN
1  고요한밤 거룩한밤
여生产总은 변화
주의부모 앞에서
감사기도 드릴때
아기잘도 안다
아기잘도 안다

SPANISH
1  ¡Noche de paz, noche de amor!
Todo duerme en derredor,
entre los astros que esparcen su luz,
bella, anunciando al niñito Jesús,
brilla la estrella de paz,
brilla la estrella de paz.

GERMAN
1 Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht!
Alles schläf, einsam wacht
nur das traute, hochheilige Paar.
Holder Knabe im lockigen Haar,
schlaf in himmlischer Ruh,
schlaf in himmlischer Ruh!

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