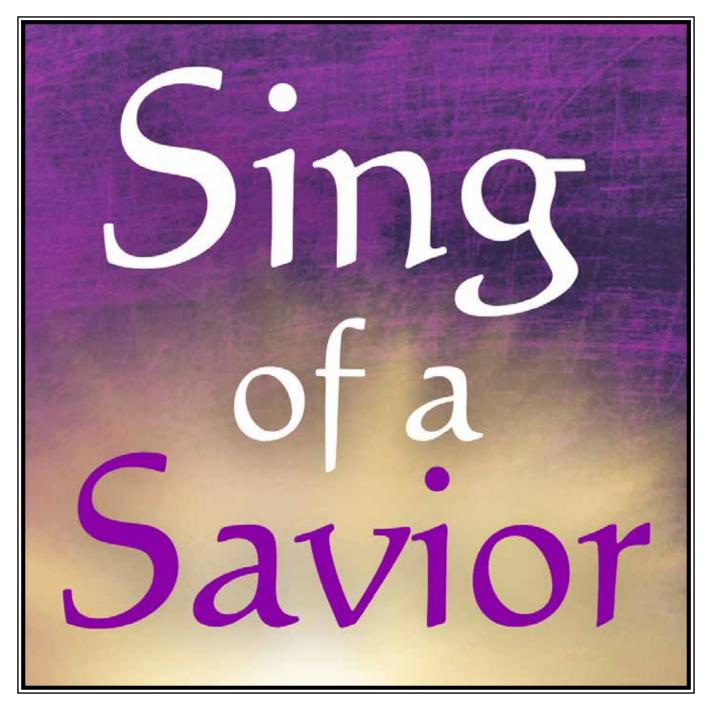


NASSAU PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



December 24, 2025

5:00 P.M.

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

If you are worshiping with us in the Sanctuary, please be aware that you may be visible on the livestream camera at any time during worship.

💢 Gathering

Prelude Sussex Carol Russel Schulz-Widmer

Choral Introit Jubilate, Alleluia Taizé

◆ Call to Worship Isaiah 9:2-7

Opening Hymn Joy to the World Red Hymnal 134

Prayer of Adoration

Loving God,
you came to us, not with great signs and wonders,
but in a babe who became a humble carpenter.
You took on human form,
not with the trappings of power and might,
but among folks who fasted, prayed,
and gave thanks in the midst of their poverty.
You made your witness, not with intimidation and coercion,
but with your own selflessness and suffering,
for your foolishness is wiser than human thought
and your weakness is stronger than all human power.
We praise you. We worship you. We adore you,
O Emmanuel, God with us. Amen.

Response

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Red Hymnal 133

verse 1

Christmas Eve Welcome

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you sent a star to guide the Magi to the child Jesus. We confess that we have not followed the light of your Word. We have not searched for signs of your love in the world or trusted your good news to be good.

We have failed to praise your son's birth and refused his peace on earth.

We have expected little and hoped for less.

Forgive our doubt and renew in us all fine desires, that we may watch and wait and once more hear the glad story of our Savior, Jesus Christ, the Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Response of Praise Infant Holy, Infant Lowly Red Hymnal 128

Verse 1

Anthem Thou Shalt Know Him Mark Sirett

anonymous text



Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God,
by the gift of your Holy Spirit
show us the Word made flesh—
good news of great joy for all—
so that we may sing with the angels:
glory in the highest and peace on earth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Scripture Lesson Matthew 1:18-25 pg 1

Anthem Ubi Caritas Ola Gjeilo

Sermon

When the Manger Overflows

David A. Davis



Thanksgiving

Offertory Anthem

Hope for Resolution

Paul Caldwell

Sean Ivory

Pastoral Prayer for Christmas

• Hymn

The First Nowell verses 1, 2, 3, & 6

Red Hymnal 147 arr. Ken Berg



Sending

Anthem

Night of Silence

Daniel Kantor

Benediction

Postlude

Go Tell It on the Mountain

Norah Duncan IV

Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgist

Karen Hernandez-Granzen

Musicians

Cantorei and Alumni Choirs

Ingrid Ladendorf, director

John Lane, flute

Don Dolan, organist

Hanka Spelda, recorders

Connor Santoro, percussion

Sound Engineer

Nick Mastalesz

Livestream

Connor Santoro

Jeff Santoro

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