

Memorial Presbyterian Church

December 24, 2016

7:00 p.m.



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SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

PRELUDE	Es Ist Ein Ros Vom Himmel Hoch The First Noel What Child is This O Little Town of Bethlehem Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming	Johannes Brahms J. S. Bach David Paxton Richard Purvis Paul Manz Stephen Wurst
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WELCOME

***GATHERING HYMN** "Once in Royal David's City" **140**

***CALL TO WORSHIP** **Psalm 96**

Sing to the Lord a new song
Sing to the Lord, all the earth!
Sing to the Lord and bless God's name;
Tell the good news of salvation from day to day.
Declare God's glory among the nations,
God's marvelous works among all the peoples.
For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!
Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice.
Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
The world and those who live in it.
Let the whole creation sing for joy
At the presence of God, who is coming.
God is coming indeed,
To judge the earth with righteousness,
And the peoples with equity and truth.
Praise the Lord!

***OPENING HYMN** "O Little Town of Bethlehem" **121**

FIRST LESSON Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19 Vince Leseney

CAROL "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"
Verses 1-4 **88**

SECOND LESSON Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 Trudy Beard

CAROL "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" **123**

THIRD LESSON Isaiah 11:1-4a, 6-9 Lucy Lanning

CAROL "Lo, How a Rose E're Blooming" **129**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Still, Still, Still Paul Manz

FOURTH LESSON Luke 1:26-35, 38 James Lovett

CAROL "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" **119**

*FIFTH LESSON	Luke 2:1-7	Michael Yeager
*CAROL	"Away in a Manger"	115
SIXTH LESSON	Luke 2:8-16	Esau and Mario Jangha
CAROL	"Angels We Have Heard on High"	113
SEVENTH LESSON	John 1:1-14	Tracy Evans

***PRAYER**

Lighting of candles

*CAROL	"Silent Night, Holy Night"	122
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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, loves' pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face, with the 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 Alleluia to our King:
Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born.

***DISMISSAL**

**Please rise in body or spirit*