

# ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Christmas Eve Family Service December 24, 2018

**Welcome to St. Andrew's Church!** If you are weary and in search of rest, if you are mourning and you long for comfort, if you are struggling and you desire victory, if you recognize that you are a sinner and need a Savior, God welcomes you here in the name of Christ. To the stranger in need of fellowship, to those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, and to whoever will come, this congregation opens wide its doors and welcomes all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP, 4:30 P.M.

### APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude: Christmas Prelude Arr. S. Ellson

\* Entry of the Bible (\* Standing as able)

\* Greeting

\* Call to Worship:

L: We gather in preparation

**A: for good news is about to be proclaimed.**

L: We gather in expectation

**A: for joy is about to explode in our midst.**

L: We gather in celebration

**A: for we are those people who have said**

**yes to the manger,**

**yes to love made flesh,**

**yes to the incarnate God,**

**yes to Jesus.**

Prayer of Invocation

\* O Come, all you faithful #159

*Our Journey Begins Jennifer Whitfield and Corey Snook*

1 Samuel 2:1-10

Luke 1:39-56

\* Angels we have heard on high #147

*Nazareth*

Isaiah 7:14

Matthew 1:18-25

\* While shepherds watched #138

*Bethlehem Kanto Ratsimandresy and Andry Ratsimandresy*

Micah 5:2-5

Luke 2:1-7

\* Away in a manger #149

*The Countryside of Judea Jacob Templeton and Jim Templeton*

Isaiah 52:6-7

Luke 2:8-20

\* Hark! The herald angels sing #139

*The Home of the Messiah Susan Elton - Squires*

Numbers 24:17

Matthew 2:1-12

\* Angels from the realms of glory #146

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Meditation *"The Voice of Christmas"*

Christmas Prayer

Offering and Offertory: O Holy Night A. Adam

***Lighting the Christ Candle (insert)***

*To the Ends of the Earth Erin McArthur and Mike Gillan*

Isaiah 60:1-4

Matthew 28:18-20

\* Joy to the world #153

*Into the night, to shine our light*

\* Commissioning and Blessing Matthew 5:14-16

\* Silent Night #154

\* Benediction

\* Choral Amen: Danish

Postlude: Hallelujah Chorus G. F. Handel