

**Order of Worship**

December 24, 2015

5:00 p.m.

Welcome Rev. Grace Phelps

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: God created light when there was nothing but darkness.

**People: Thanks be to God for the light.**

Leader: God gave hope to the exiles wandering in the wilderness.

**People: Praise be to God for the hope in our lives.**

Leader: God sent the invincible to become vulnerable for us.

**People: Glory be God's for the gift of his baby son.**

\*Hymn *O Little Town of Bethlehem* 230

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Keith and Brenda Elzie Family

Scripture Luke 2:1-7  
*Away in A Manger* 217

\*As we sing, Mary(s) and Joseph(s) are invited to come forward and stand next to the manger.

Scripture Luke 2:8-19  
*Angels We Have Heard on High* 238

\*As we sing, shepherds, sheep, and angels are invited to come forward.

Scripture Matthew 2:1-12  
*We Three Kings* 254

\*As we sing, wisemen are invited to come forward.

Scripture Luke 2:20

Reflection at the Manger Rev. Cox

†Sacrament of Holy Communion 12

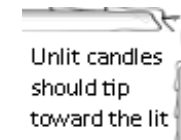
Share in the Light of Christ

\*Hymn *Silent Night, Holy Night* 239

Dismissal with Blessing Rev. Cox

†You are invited to lay your March to the Manger offering on the altar rail during communion. If needed, envelopes are available on the ushers table.

If you had purchased poinsettias, you may pick them up after the service.



**Candles**

As you leave the Sanctuary, please extinguish your candle and place it in one of the containers provided. Thank you.

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9:00 p.m.

Prelude  
Justin Hanson, Organ  
"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"  
(arr. Smith)

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\*Hymns  
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*O Little Town of Bethlehem* 230

Lighting of the Advent Wreath  
Tim and Kathy Wallace

Evening Prayer  
Rev. Phelps

Special Music  
*Breath of Heaven* Choir  
(arr. Courtney)

Scripture  
Luke 2:1-20

Homily  
Rev. Wade Cox

Special Music  
*O, Holy Night* Keith Phelps, Soloist

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