

ORDER OF WORSHIP

We are glad that you are here for worship this evening!

*The * indicates that you are invited to stand ... as you are able.*

*The **bold print** indicates readings/choral responses of the congregation.*

If you have a cell phone, please turn off the ringer. Thank you.

Prelude Christmas Harmonies Regency Trio

Carol Sing "Angels, from the Realms of Glory" # 259
"Regent Square" words and music by Montgomery and Smart
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1. Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth; ye who sang creation's story now proclaim Messiah's birth: Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King!
4. Saints, before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear, suddenly the Lord, descending, in his temple shall appear: Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King!

Special Music "Sing Me Now of Christmas" Touching Hearts
 "God Bless Us Everyone"

Carol Sing "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks" # 240
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1. While shepherds watched their flocks by night, all seated on the ground, the angel of the Lord came down, and glory shone around, and glory shone around.
2. "Fear not," said he, for mighty dread had seized their troubled mind; "Glad tidings of great joy I bring to you and all mankind," to you and all mankind.

Special Music "Oh, Holy Night" Touching Hearts

Carol Sing "The First Noel" # 262
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1. The first Noel the angels did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; In fields where they lay a-keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep. (Refrain) Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.
2. They looked up and saw a star shining in the east beyond them far, and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night. (Refrain)
4. The star drew nigh to the north-west; O'er Bethlehem it took its rest; And there it did both stop and stay, right over the place where Jesus lay. (Refrain)

Ring of the Bell

"Away in a Manger" # 252

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1. "Away in a manger no crib for his bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

"Silent Night! Holy Night" # 230

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1. 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.

***Benediction**

Postlude "Joy to the World"

Announcements

A Special Thank You ... to the following musicians who have shared their gifts with us this Holy Night. Members of the **Regency Trio** are: **Barbara Lamb**, violin; **Elaine Eagle**, flute; and **Sarah West**, cello. The trio plays music of the Regency Period in England (1811-1820) which was a time of classic elegance and grace. Our duo musicians are vocalist, **Bob Clark**, and pianist, **Mary Kopet**. They have been sharing their talents in a number of venues for several years, and are teamed under the title — **Touching Hearts**.

Many Thanks ... to those who purchased the **100** poinsettias that adorn the chancel area. Please refer to the back cover listing of donors and their tributes. We sincerely apologize for any misspellings or notations. Donors wishing to secure their plants are asked to remain on the main sanctuary floor. Persons will hand you the plants. Or you may leave them for tomorrow's Christmas Day worship service (11:00 a.m.) ... and take them at that time.

Also Thanks ... to **Kay Tennison** for the arranging the luminary and to **Karen Ayers** for the floral arrangement.

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