

## PRELUDE

What Is This Lovely Fragrance?  
O Come, All Ye Faithful

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## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: He came as a baby in a manger.

**People: O come, let us adore him.**

Leader: He came in a lowly stable.

**People: O come, let us adore him.**

Leader: Shepherds brought their worship.

**People: O come, let us adore him.**

Leader: Angels sang his praise.

**People: O come, let us adore him.**

Leader: Magi brought their gifts.

**People: O come, let us adore him.**

Leader: What shall we do?

**People: O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!**

## \* OPENING CAROL 133 O Come All Ye Faithful ADESTE FIDELES

1) O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant;  
O come ye; O come ye to Bethlehem!  
Come, and behold him, born the King of angels!

### Refrain:

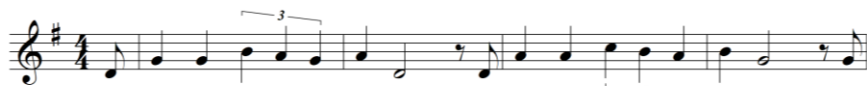
O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him;  
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

2) Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;  
Jesus, to thee be all glory given; Word of the Father,  
now in flesh appearing!

### Refrain:

## LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

## \* Response 137 He Came Down HE CAME DOWN



1.He came down that we may have hope; he came down that we may have hope; he  
2.He came down that we may have peace; he came down that we may have peace; he  
3.He came down that we may have joy; he came down that we may have joy; he  
4.He came down that we may have love; he came down that we may have love; he



came down that we may have hope; hal - le - lu - jah for - ev - er - more.  
came down that we may have peace; hal - le - lu - jah for - ev - er - more.  
came down that we may have joy; hal - le - lu - jah for - ev - er - more.  
came down that we may have love; hal - le - lu - jah for - ev - er - more.

## CAROL

Go tell it on the Mountain

GO TELL IT

Children's choir sings the refrain; Congregation sings stanzas

### Refrain:

1) While Shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night,  
Behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light.

### Refrain:

2) The Shepherds feared and trembled when lo! above the earth  
Rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Savior's birth.

### Refrain:

3) Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born,  
And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn.

### Refrain:

## DUET

Silent Night

## GOING TO BETHLEHEM: HOW DO WE FIND THE WAY?

## CAROL

The Crowded Stable

MARSH

1) From far across the desert sands, from cold and snowy northern lands,  
Steaming jungles, city streets, in this stable here we meet.

### Refrain:

Fay-leez na-vee-dahd! Jwy-yeu no-el! Ff'ra ha-na-si-ku-kuu! Shen-don  
kwai-low! Hrist-tos raj-da-yets-ya! Froy-lick-a-vai-nock-ten! Merry  
Christmas! Merry Christmas! Jesus Christ is born!

2) Just see the crowds: red, yellow, brown and black and white all  
gathered round. Brought together by the star, from all nations here we are.

### Refrain:

3) God brings us here to share this sight: a baby's face, a holy light. Rage  
and fear and envy cease. Here we all find love and peace.

### Refrain:

## Meeting the Christ Child, a Godly Play story

## OFFERING: SHARING OUR GIFTS

### Offertory

Angels We Have Heard on High

Carolyn Taylor

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)**

What can I give him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb.  
If I were a wise man, I would do my part.  
Yet what I can, I give him, give him my heart. Amen.

**SHARING OF THE LIGHT**

\* **CAROL 122**      Silent Night, Holy Night

STILLE NACHT

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.

2) 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!"

\* **BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE**

Improvisation on *good Christian Men Rejoice*

J. S. Bach

**Worship Leadership:**

Rev. Dr. Bill Lindeman, Interim Pastor

Rev. Jessica Myers, Interim Associate Pastor

Nicole Cramer, Coordinator for Children's Faith Formation

Brent Neuenschwander, Director of Music

Mikaela Umbs, Harp

Allyse Fisher, Melina Hammond, Vocalists

# Family Candlelight Service



Sunday December 24, 2017  
5:00 pm – Sanctuary  
First Presbyterian Church