



Christmas

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**Christmas Eve Service
Bringing Hope, Peace, Joy, Love
and Light to a Weary and Chaotic World!**

Welcome

Dulci Jubilo (*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*)

Note: The traditional “Men” has been replaced with “Friends”

A Responsive Reading for Christmas Eve

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C Amen.

P: Arise, shine, for your light has come!

C And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!

P The people walking in darkness have seen a great light.

C On those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.

P To us a child is born. To us a son is given.

C And the government will be upon his shoulders, and he will be called

P Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

C We proclaim the praises of him,

P Who called us out of darkness

C Into his marvelous light!

Hymn: *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

Jeff Burket: We light the Advent Wreath (The **Gospel Reading**, Luke 2:1-15)

Hymn: *Angels We Have Heard On High*

Message: The Stump



Lighting the Christ Candle

Rev. Jack: How does a weary world hold onto hope,
practice peace, spread joy and know love?
How does a weary world combat cruelty?

**People: We do so with God's help. For tonight,
a child is born in Bethlehem.**

Rev. Jack: Tonight, we light the Christ Candle: with
God's help, may we bring His light of love into this
weary world. Listen dear brothers and sisters in
Christ. Listen and rejoice this night of nights.
There is room for you here at the manger.

Congregation Response in Song:
I Can Celebrate You ("In the Bleak Midwinter")
Words by Anna Strickland

I can celebrate you, I can hold your joy
When the load is crush-ing and you've lost your voice
I can cel-e-brate the promise your life holds
When the wear-i-ness bears heavy on your soul.

I can re-cog-nize good fruit that you will bear
When your own self-doubt hides gifts you have to share.
I can re-cog-nize your Christ-light deep within
Ev-ery gift that God has sown wait-ing to be-gin.

We can hold each other in our joy and fear
Know-ing that the Spir-it moves when we are near
We can hold each other, lift each other up
Fill-ing a-noth-er from the Spirit's cup.

Benediction: Rev. Danny Jack

Congregational Candle Lighting

The pastor and our worship director will light their candles from the Christ candle. They will then proceed to the gym where we will join with them in singing Silent Night! John 1:4-5 (Christ) gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it. Go now silently and gather in joy this wondrous night.

Silent Night

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

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Silent night, holy night

Shepherds quake at the sight

Glories stream from heaven afar

Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia

Christ the Savior is born

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Silent night, holy night

Son of God, love's pure light

Radiant beams from Thy holy face

With the dawn of redeeming grace

Jesus Lord, at Thy birth

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