

Candle Lighting Service

Please be careful, <u>make sure you keep the candlelight a safe distance from others and yourself</u>. We will stand in place and the pastor's will come around to light candles with the extended candle lighter. Then carefully pass the light within your party. Children should be assisted by their parents.

Special Music by Kathy Kirk & Rachel Steich
"Children's Prayer" from Hansel & Gretel
by Engelbert Humperdinck

*Closing Hymn - Silent Night (Green Insert)

*Benediction

*Postlude

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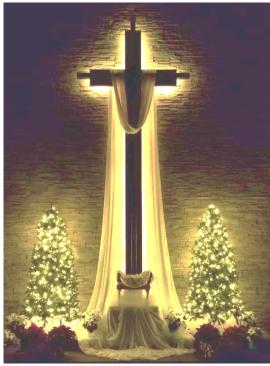


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December 24, 2020 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Christmas is not a myth, not a tradition, not a dream. It is a glorious reality.





Order of Worship

* means stand if able

Prelude

The Call to Worship: Isaiah 9:2 (ESV)

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.

*Processional Hymn #188 - Angels We Have Heard on High
*Invocation

Lighting of all the Advent Candles

Advent Hymn #183 - Once in Royal David's City

The Nativity - A final piece, put in its place

OFFERTORY - While there will be no offering during worship, you may give tithes & offerings in the back of the church or online at ogrc.org.



Sermon: The Child from Hebrews 2:5-18

Private Confession of Sin Corporate Confession of Sin

Father God, like a winter snow, our sins have blanketed the landscape of our lives, & yet, your Son first swaddled in a manger, & then later swaddled in a burial cloth, has defeated both sin & death. Please give us the courage to be faithful followers, striving to forsake our sins for His namesake. Amen

Assurance of Pardon: Luke 2:29-32

"Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, & the glory of your people Israel."

*RESPONSE TO HIS PARDON: Hymn #179 Joy To The World



INVITATION TO CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER CONFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven & earth: And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hades; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SERVING THE BREAD

As the bread is circulated please join us in singing: Hymn #187- O Holy Night

Please hold the bread until everyone has been served, then we will together say: The Bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ.

SERVING THE WINE

As the juice and wine are circulated please join us in singing: Hymn #180- O Little Town of Bethlehem

The cups marked with a G are Grape Juice.

The others contain Wine.

Please hold the cup until everyone has been served, then we will together say:

The Cup which we bless is the communion of the blood of Christ.

Closing Prayer for the gift of communion