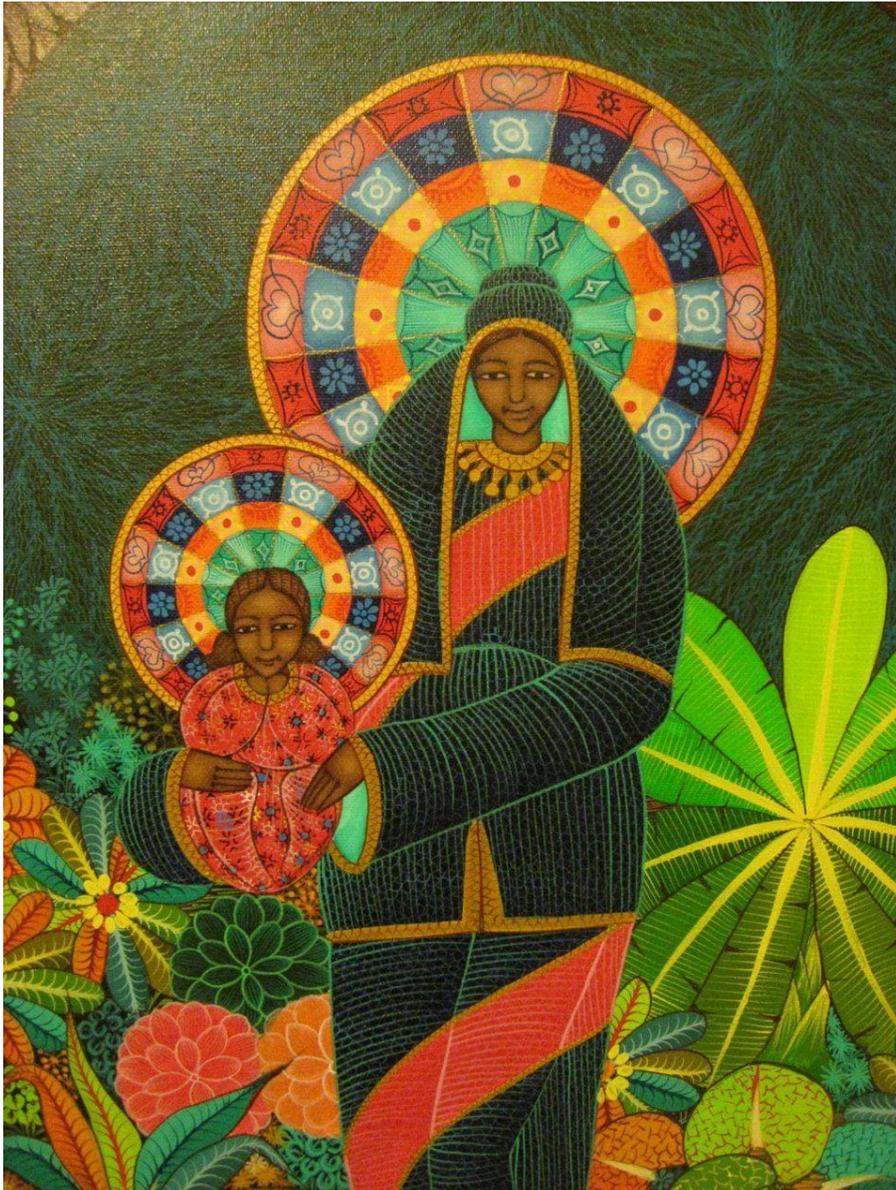




Worship of God in Christ December 24, 2021



"Madonna and Child" by Haitian artist Ismael Saincilus

Christmas Eve

Marking of the Hour Barbara Moore

*We mark the hour, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ,
and centering us in the embrace of the Holy Spirit.*

Choral Introit – “Once in Royal David’s City” Sanctuary Choir

Prelude – “Once in Royal David’s City” (Hobby) Barbara Moore

Lighting the Candles

*We light these candles to welcome the Spirit, for they represent how Jesus is the
Light of the world which guides us through life.*

Opening the Bible

We open the Bible to remind us that God speaks to us through the Holy Word.

Call to Worship Will Cooke

Leader: An unmarried teenage girl was invited—

People: to carry Christ into this world.

Leader: An ordinary carpenter was invited—

People: to be a father to a child unlike any other.

Leader: The shepherds were invited—

People: outcast and isolated, included at the manger.

Leader: The Magi were invited—

People: foreigners and seekers, included at the manger.

Leader: And if she was invited, and he was invited, and they were
invited—

People: then we can trust that we too are invited.

Leader: This story is for us.

People: This love is for us.

Leader: Family of faith, this is our invitation. Welcome home.

People: Amen.

*Hymn – “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

*Invocation Rev. Will Brown

Greeting Rev. Brown

Lighting the Christ Candle Karen and Gary Dalton

Gospel Lesson – Luke 2:1-7 Jackie Lockwood

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn – “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

Children’s Sermon

Erin Brown

Gospel Lesson – Luke 2:8-14

Carter Groff

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Solo – “O Holy Night”

George Martin

Evening Prayer

Rev. Val Fisk

Anthem – “The Shepherds’ Farewell” (Berlioz)

Sanctuary Choir

Sermon – “Glory to God”

Dr. Matthew Tennant

*Hymn – “Silent Night, Holy Night”

*Benediction

Dr. Tennant

*Recessional – “Once in Royal David’s City” (arr. Peeters)

Barbara Moore

*Hymn – “Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come”

** Please stand if you are able.*

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace" — Luke 2:14 NIV

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born King;
 2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord:
 3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of righ - teous - ness!

Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild; God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled."
 Late in time, be - hold Him come, Off - spring of a vir - gin's womb.
 Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with heal - ing in His wings.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see, Hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty!
 Mild He lays His glo - ry by, Born that man no more may die,

With an - gel - ic hosts pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
 Pleased as man with men to dwell, Je - sus our Im - man - u - el.
 Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them sec - ond birth.

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King."

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt. George Whitefield, 1714-1770
 MUSIC: Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847; arr. William H. Cummings, 1831-1915

MENDELSSOHN
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O Come, All Ye Faithful

Sing unto the Lord ... give thanks — Psalm 30:4 KJV

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O come ye, O
2. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, O sing, all ye
3. Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this hap - py morn - ing, Je - sus, to

come ye to Beth - le - hem! Come and be - hold Him, born the King of
bright hosts of heav'n a - bove! Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the
Thee be all glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap -

an - gels!
high - est! O come, let us a - dore Him, O come, let us a - dore Him,
pear - ing!

O come, let us a - dore Him, Christ the Lord!

WORDS: Latin hymn; ascribed to John Francis Wade, c. 1710-1786;
tr. Frederick Oakeley, 1802-1880 and others
MUSIC: John Francis Wade, c. 1710-1786

ADESTE FIDELES
Irregular

Silent Night, Holy Night

She gave birth to ... a son — Luke 2:7 NIV

1. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, All is calm, all is bright Round yon
2. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Dark - ness flies, all is light; Shep - herds
3. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God, love's pure light Ra - diant
4. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Won - drous star, lend thy light; With the

vir - gin moth - er and child! Ho - ly In - fant so ten - der and mild,
hear the an - gels sing, "Al - le - lu - ia! hail the King!
beams from Thy ho - ly face, With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,
an - gels let us sing Al - le - lu - ia to our King;

Sleep in heav - en - ly peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
Christ the Sav - ior is born, Christ the Sav - ior is born."
Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth, Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth.
Christ the Sav - ior is born, Christ the Sav - ior is born.

WORDS: Joseph Mohr, 1792-1848; tr. st. 1,3, John Freeman Young, 1820-1885;
tr. st. 2,4, Anonymous
MUSIC: Franz Gruber, 1787-1863

STILLE NACHT
Irregular

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth — Psalm 98:4 NIV

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth re-ceive her King;
 2. Joy to the earth! the Sav-ior reigns; Let men their songs em-ploy;
 3. No more let sins and sor-rows grow, Nor thorns in-fest the ground;
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the na-tions prove

Let ev-'ry heart pre-pare Him room,
 While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
 He comes to make His bless-ings flow
 The glo-ries of His righ-teous-ness,

And heav'n and na-ture sing, And heav'n and na-ture
 Re-peat the sound-ing joy, Re-peat the sound-ing
 Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is
 And won-ders of His love, And won-ders of His
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WORDS: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748
 MUSIC: George Frederick Handel, 1685-1759; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

ANTIOCH
 Irregular

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