

## SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

### **Acolytes (5:00 p.m.)**

Meredith Morrow & Gabriel Hernandez

### **(7:00 p.m.)**

Ansley Claire Strong & Harper Griffin

### **Advent Candle (5:00 p.m.)**

Drew & McKenzie Burns, James & Stratton

### **(7:00 p.m.)**

Jeff & Ashley Brantley, Elizabeth Castle & Mason

### **Scripture Readers (5:00 p.m.)**

Wilson Caudell

### **(7:00 p.m.)**

Maggie Reece

### **Pastors:**

Rev. Barry Male

Rev. Ben Butler

Rev. Linda Rickman

### **Musicians:**

Lori Blount

Donna Banks

Chris Blount

Maddie Gall

Haley Gall



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# CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP 2016

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## GATHERING MUSIC

Chris Blount

## WELCOME

## CAROL

*The first Noel the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.*

*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.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.*

*What child is this who lay to rest in Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherd's watch are keeping?  
This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.*

*So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh, come, peasant king, to own Him;  
The King of kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone Him.  
This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.*

*Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation; O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest; O come, let us adore Him,  
O come let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!*

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

Isaiah 9:6-7

*O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come,  
let us adore Him Christ the Lord!*

## PASTORAL PRAYER

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory.  
Now and forever. Amen.**

## CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

## A TIME MOSTLY FOR CHILDREN

*Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere.  
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.*

## SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:1 –20

## OFFERTORY

## DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## THE GOOD NEWS

## THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right and a good and joyful thing always and everywhere to give thanks to you...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ ... And so in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us ... all honor and glory is yours Almighty Father, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## SHARING IN THE BREAD AND CUP

## SHARING THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

## CAROL

*Silent Night, Holy 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, sleep in heavenly peace.*

*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!*

*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, Jesus, Lord at thy birth.*

*Silent night, holy night, wondrous star, lend thy light;  
With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King;  
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.*

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE