



Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

December 24, 2020 4:00 pm & 7:00 pm Order of Worship

Prelude: *Noel Languedocien* A. Guilmant

Dr. Larisa Soboleva, Music Director

Greeting and Instructions for Service

Opening solo: *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* #626

Hymn: *O Come, All Ye Faithful* #234 vs 1 & 3

Listen as Carol Ghenic & Linda

Gottron sing

The ABCs of Christmas

A is for Angel

Scripture: Luke 1:28-33

B is for Bethlehem

C is for Census

D is for Donkey

E is for Exhausted

Hymn: *O Little Town of Bethlehem* #230

Listen as Carol and Linda sing

F is for Family

Scripture: Luke 2:6-8

G is for the Good News

Scripture: Luke 2:10-14

H is for Hope (light the candle of Hope)

I is for Image

J is for Joy (light the candle of Joy)

Hymn: *Joy to the World* #246 vs 1, 2 & 4

Listen as Carol and Linda sing

K is for King

L is for Lost also for Love (light the candle of Love)

M is for Manger

Hymn: *Away in a Manger* #217

Listen as Carol and Linda sing

N is for Noel

Sermon: *It's That Simple*

Rev. Stephen Perrine

O is for Offering (place in offering plate on rear desk) *N.4 A. Guilmant*

P is for Peace (light the candle of Peace)

Q is for Quiet

R is for Revealed

S is for Star

Scripture: Matthew 2:9-11

T is for Table

U is for Unity

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts. **People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

People: 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.

Leader: 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.

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again

Leader: All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (*God*), now and forever.

All: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Communion

V is for Vulnerable

W is for Wonder

X is for Christ (light the Christ Candle)

Y is for You

Z is for Zeal (pass the Christmas Light)

Hymn: *Silent Night, Holy Night* #239 vs 1, 2 & 3

Listen as Carol and Linda sing

Christmas Benediction

Postlude: *Christmas Medley* M. Machella