

Creekside Church of the Brethren

Christmas Eve

December 24, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.

PRELUDE *“O Come, All Ye Faithful”* arr. Keith Snell

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Janet

OPENING PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: All the world this night rejoices.

All: The stars shine more brightly,

One: The mountains echo their joy,

All: For a Savior is born.

One: On this holy night,

All: All the animals bow in adoration.

One: The birds lift their voices in song.

All: All creatures know the Good News of the birth of a Savior,

One: And we feel drawn to this holy night,

All: Beckoned by some deep longing

One: For our lives to be made whole,

All: Our hearts to be filled with joy and our lips to constantly sing praises.

One: All the world this night rejoices.

HYMN NO. 212 (Blue) *“O Come All Ye Faithful”*

*INVOCATION (Unison)

Dearest God, Holy Creator, Joy of the world! Hope of tomorrow! Light of heaven! Lover of humanity! You are the Creator of every thing; through your word the world and everything in it exists. You are the maker of red berried holly trees, of fragrant Christmas trees, of tinsel sparkling with many colors of light, of carols to be sung, of gifts given and received, of children born, of blessed rest everlasting, of everything which is beautiful, which is lovely, which is good. Be with us, Holy Lord of heaven and earth, live among us, let us feel your presence, as we celebrate the birth of your child, your gift, your love, who came to live, grow, and teach among us. May our hearts always be young in your love. Amen.

*HYMN (Advent Songbook – Page 2) *“You Are the Light”*

ANGEL Sue Noffsinger

HYMN NO. 194 (Blue) *“Away in a Manger”*

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:1-7

INN KEEPER’S WIFE Rosanna McFadden

*HYMN NO. 215 (Blue) *“What Child Is This?”*

CHIMES *“Jesus, Jesus Rest Your Head”*

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:8-20

OLD SHEPHERD Ted Noffsinger

HYMN NO. 191 (Blue) *“O Little Town of Bethlehem”*

MEDITATION Pastor Janet

COMMUNION

SCRIPTURE READINGS ON LIGHT

CANDLE LIGHTING *“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, 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 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

“Al-le-lu-ia” to our King,

Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born.

ANTHEM *“One Flame”* ^(over) Advent Choir

Tom S. Long/Allen Pote

(Please stand and join the choir as they sing Joy to the World”

*BENEDECTION

POSTLUDE *“Joy to the World”*

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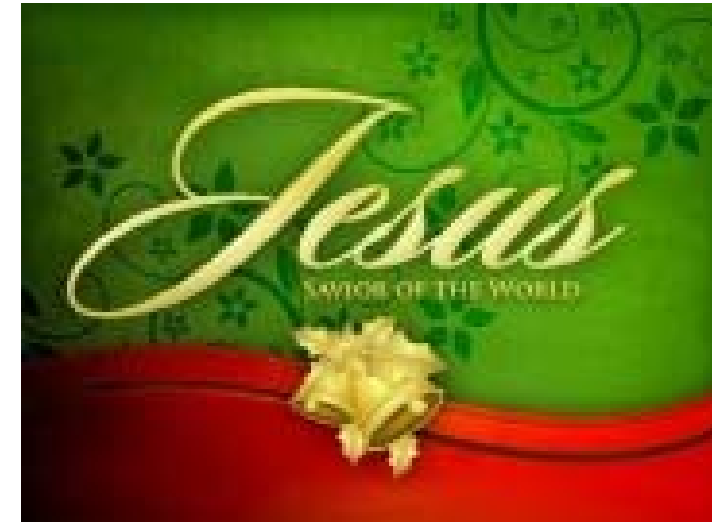
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Participants

Meditation	Pastor Janet	Childcare	Crystal Rodgers
Song Leader	Angi Marcin	Sound Engineer	Gary Arnold
Organist	Marilee Gilliland	Graphics Operator	Brian Arnold
Pianist	Shelly Randall	Screen Creation	Gary Arnold
Angel*	Sue Noffsinger	Acolytes	Scott Harney Tim Randall Cary Kelsey Walt Gilliland
Inn Keeper's Wife*	Rosanna McFadden	Christ Candle	Joel McFadden
Old Shepherd*	Ted Noffsinger	Flutes	Jenny Cooper Samantha Cooper

*Drama produced by special arrangement with Contemporary Drama Service.
Written by Susan A. J. Lytek.



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