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## Grace Presbyterian Church

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# Grace Presbyterian Church

Worships God in Word and Sacrament at 5:30 p.m.  
**December 24, 2018**  
Christmas Eve

## The Bell Calls Us to Worship

### Prelude

Pat-a-Pan

Grace Notes Hand Bell Choir

The congregation stands to sing

### Processional Hymn 41

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Adeste Fideles

### Opening Sentences

**Pastor:** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**People:** **The Maker of heaven and earth.**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Let us pray.

### Prayer for the Day

(spoken by the pastor; the congregation joining the **Amen.**)

O God, give us such love and wonder that with shepherds, magi, and pilgrims unknown, we may come to adore the holy child, the promised King, and with our gifts worship him, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The congregation sits.

### Lighting the Christ Candle

The Krech/Cooke/Mayne Family

At the conclusion of the candle lighting service, choir and congregation stand to sing

### Hymn 23

Angels We Have Heard on High

Gloria

**Pastor:** The peace of Christ be always with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Passing of the Peace** (Worshippers greet one another with the peace of Christ.)

### Welcome and Announcements

### Prayer for Illumination

### Old Testament

Isaiah 9:2,6-7

**Psalm 96:1,3-5,11-13**

Unison

**O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.**

**Declare God's glory among the nations,**

**his marvelous works among the peoples.**

**For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.**

**For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord made the heavens.**

**Let the heavens be glad and let the earth rejoice.**

**Let the sea roar and all that fills it. Let the field exult and everything in it.**

**Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord.**

**For the Lord is coming to judge the earth.**

**He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with his truth.**

**Anthem** When Christmas Morn Is Dawning Traditional German tune

When Christmas morn is dawning, in faith I would repair unto the lowly manger; my Savior lieth there. How kind, O loving Savior, to come from heaven above; from sin and evil save us and keep us in thy love. We need thee, blessed Jesus, our dearest friend thou art; forbid that we by sinning should grieve thy loving heart. (-- Elizabeth Ehrenborg-Posse; arr. Douglas E. Wagner, 1986)

**Epistle**

Titus 2:11-14

**Solo**

O, Holy Night  
Karen Schlichte, Soprano

Adolphe Adam, 1847

**Gospel**

Luke 2:1-20 (KJV)

**Sermon**

God's Word to Us

Mike Krech

"... to you is born this day in the city of Davis, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11

The congregation stands to sing

**Hymn 28** Good Christian Friends, Rejoice In Dulci Jubilo

**Nicene Creed** Unison; Hymnal, page 15, Ecumenical

**Gloria in Excelsis** Refrain of Hymn 23 Gloria

The congregation sits.

**Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession and Dedication**

**Offertory Sentence**

**Offertory**

Adeste Fideles  
Grace Notes Hand Bell Choir

The congregation stands to sing the

**Doxology 592**

Old Hundredth

The congregation sits.

**Invitation to the Lord's Table**

**Words of Institution**

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**The Lord's Prayer** (debts/debtors) Unison; Hymnal, page 16, Traditional

The elders serve worshippers at their places. All Christians are invited to receive the Sacrament.

You may receive the bread and cup when you are spiritually prepared.

Please place empty cups in the holder in the chair in front of you.

**Hymns during Communion**

48 Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming Es Ist Ein' Ros'

45 O Sleep, Dear Holy Baby A La Ru

**After the Passing of the Light**

Silent Night

Stille Nacht

**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 host 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**

**Alleluias to our King: Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion and Benediction**

The congregation stands to sing the

**Recessional Hymn 31** Hark! The Herald Angels Sing Mendelssohn

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**Brass: Rickie Cooke, Bob Vawter**

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