Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

Christmas Eve

Candlelight Communion Service December 24, 2015, 5:00 p.m.

Prelude

"Once in Royal David's City"

arr. Hal Hopson

Lighting of the Candles

Chris Curtis and Justin Curtis

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

+Call to Worship

Pastor: The impossible is about to happen in a stable.

People: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

Pastor: This is the evening when creation stood still and held its breath,

for God was doing the most unbelievable, dangerous thing.

People: This is the evening when God embraced humanity from the

inside, as one of us, from birth to death.

Pastor: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and

the word was God.

People: And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. Amen!

+Prayer of Invocation

+Carol

"O Come, All Ye Faithfull"

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Lighting of the Christ Candle

Laura and James Paschke

Scripture Reading — *The Birth of the Savior* Luke 2:1-20 (pg. 53-54)

Pastor: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

+Carol

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

#250

Anthem

"Call His Name Jesus"

Choir arr. Duren

Children's Message

Dianne Pipkin

+Carol

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

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Institution of the Lord's Supper

(responsively)

Pastor: "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for

they shall be filled!"

People: On the night in which Jesus became the Passover Lamb,

He took the bread, blessed it and broke it.

Pastor: And He said: "Take it and eat it, for this is My body." And

after supper, Jesus took the wine after supper, blessed it, and

passed it to His disciples and said:

People: "This is my blood which seals the covenant between God

and His people. It is poured out to forgive the sins of

many."

Pastor: Jesus said: "I am the bread of life; those who come to Me will

never go hungry and those who believe in Me will never

thirst!"

People: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we do so in

remembrance of the Lord's death until He comes again.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Duet

Karen Ware and Joanna Wilkinson

"O Holy Night!"

A. Adams

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Consecration

Coming Forward to Receive the Bread and the Cup

(Everyone is invited to come down the center aisle in two single-file lines. After receiving the bread and the cup, please place your empty cup in the basket provided, then return to your seat down the side aisle and meditate on what the Lord has done for you!)

+Please stand, if able

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Sharing the Good News with the World (responsively)

Pastor: Jesus said: "I am the light of the world. Those who follow Me

shall not walk in the darkness, but shall have the light of life!"

People: Jesus also said: "You are the light of the world—like a city

on a mountain, glowing in the night for all to see. Don't hide your light under a basket! Put it on a stand and let it

shine for all ..."

Pastor: In the same way, let your life shine out for all to see, so that

everyone will praise your Heavenly Father.

Lighting Our Candles from the Christ Candle

+Carol James Paschke and Scott Roberts, guitar "Silent Night! Holy Night!" #253

+Benediction

+Extinguishing of the Candles
(Please blow out your candle and place it in a container in the Narthex.)

+Postlude Piano/Organ

"Joy to the World"

G.F. Handel

+Please stand, if able

First Cumberland, where you belong!

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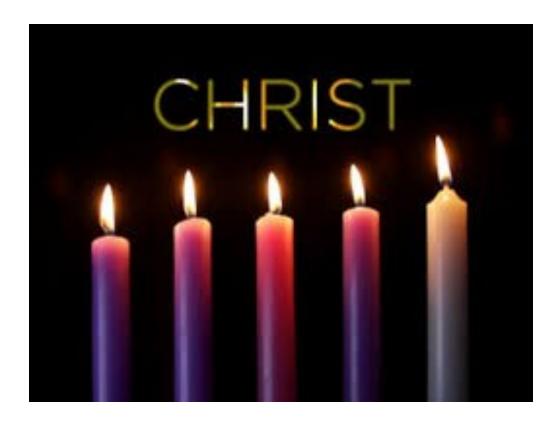
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For the glory of God, Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church exists to worship Christ, evangelize the lost, love one another and our neighbor, and learn more about our God.

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