

✠ Lighting of the Christ Candle **James, Laura and Sarah Grace Paschke**
 Luke 2:1-20

✠ Prayer of Invocation

Anthem **Choir**
 “Almost There” Keveren

✠ Carol **#250**
 “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Anthem **Ladies’ Ensemble, with Sarah Pipkin Saxton, flute**
 “Still, Still, Still” German Carol

✠ Carol **#277**
 “Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”

Duet **Laura and James Paschke**
 “A Christmas Hallelujah” Cohen

Devotional

Anthem **Choir**
 “Call His Name Jesus” arr. Duren

✠ Institution of the Lord’s Supper (responsively)

Pastor: “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled!”

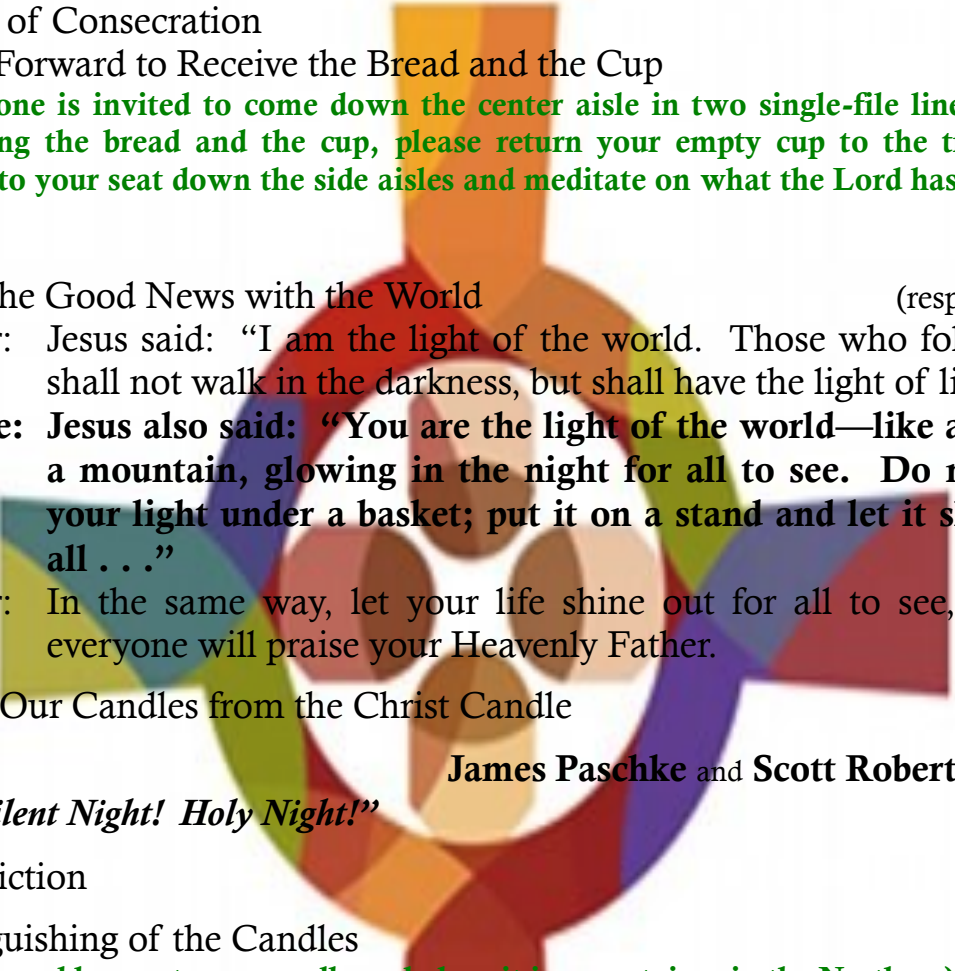
People: On the night in which Jesus became the Passover Lamb, He took the bread, blessed it and broke it.

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 from this cup, we do so in remembrance of the Lord’s death until He comes again.



✠ 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 return your empty cup to the tray, then return to your seat down the side aisles and meditate on what the Lord has done for you!)

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. Do not 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, guitars**
 “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 rise in body or spirit.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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.

*May GOD's blessings come to you a
Thousand fold; May the Love in your
Heart never get old;
and may you find
treasures more
precious than
gold.*



*Have a
and a
Blessed Christmas
Happy New Year
to You and Your Family.*

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December 24, 2016

5:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve

Candlelight Communion Service

Prelude

"Once In Royal David's City"

"The Birthday of the King"

"O Holy Night"

Lighting of the Candles

Chimes

Piano / Organ

Irby

Neidlinger

Adam

Logan Collins and Patrick Curtis



Call to Worship

(responsively)

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 fallen 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!



Carol of Praise

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

#249



Please rise in body or spirit.