

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
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Christmas Eve

December 24, 2014

VISITORS – WE WELCOME YOU to this house of prayer this evening. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

Prelude

Ring of the Bell

Cross Procession/Opening Hymn: #368
"Angels We Have Heard on High"

Invocation

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

Psalms 98, prayed responsivelysee front section of the hymnal

Christmas Eve Collect, spoken by Pastor

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 9:2-7
Response
P: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Titus 2:11-14
Response
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C: Thanks be to God.

Hymn: #361, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Choral Offering: "Jesus, Gift of God" Cooman/Leach
(Adapted from a 5th century Orthodox hymn ascribed to St. Anatolius)

Credal Hymn: #953, "We All Believe in One True God"

Gospel Luke 2:1-20 (KJV)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 2nd chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day: #387, "Joy to the World"

Sermon: "Sing a New Song!"

Hymn: #362, "O Sing of Christ"

Offering

Choral Offering: "A Child Is Born in Bethlehem"
Danish Folk Melody Arr. M. Pooler

Hymn: #366, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

Prayer of the Church

P:.....praising God and saying,

C: Glory to God in the highest!

Lord's Prayer back cover of the hymnal

Benediction

Closing Hymn: #363, "Silent Night"

(The sanctuary will gradually be darkened during this hymn as we light our congregational candles.)

Departing Words

P: Jesus Christ is the Light of the world.

C: The Light no darkness can overcome.

P: Stay with us, O Lord, for it is evening.

C: And the day is almost over.

P: Let Your light scatter the darkness.

C: And illumine Your Church.

P: In Him was life, and that life was the Light of men. The Light
shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not overcome it.

C: Amen.

Postlude

*(Please deposit candles in the appropriate receptacle at the back of
the sanctuary. Thank you.)*