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Christmas Eve

Organist: Sara Sorenson
Acolyte: Jada Scheele
Lector: Bob Augustin

December 24, 2015

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Cross Procession/Opening Hymn: #387, "Joy to the World"

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

Psalm 98, prayed responsively front section of the hymnal

Hymn of Praise: #380, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Prayer of the Day, spoken by Pastor

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 9:2-7

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Choral Offering: "God Rest Ye Merry Gentleman" Arr. G. Toole

Epistle Titus 2:11-14

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Festival Alleluia #952

Holy 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!

The Apostles' Creed back cover of the hymnal

Hymn of the Day: #358, "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"

Sermon: "For You!"

Offering/Solo: Stille Nacht (sung by Chris Ballman)

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

Prayer of the Church
P: Lord, in Your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Song: #363, "Silent Night, Holy Night" (During this hymn the sanctuary will be darkened and the ushers will assist in lighting candles.)

Silent Prayer

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. Go in peace.

C: Amen.

Postlude

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