

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD
CHRISTMAS EVE
DECEMBER 24, 2018

Saints and Angel Hosts Rejoice

PROCESSIONAL HYMN - 55 “Oh Come All Ye Faithful”

INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LITANY

M: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;

C: Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

M: Let us come before him with thanksgiving

C: And extol him with music and song.

M: Come, let us bow down in worship,

C: Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

M: The rising sun will come to us from heaven to shine light on those
living in darkness and in the shadow of death,

C: To guide our feet into the path of peace.

M: Unto us the Christ is born.

C: Come, let us worship him!

READING - John 1:1-9,14

HYMN - 80 “Angels From the Realms of Glory”



Introduction: Songs From Luke’s Gospel

NARRATION

RECITATION

CHILDREN’S SONG - “Jesus, Jesus, Little Jesus”



Part One: Good News in the Old Testament

NARRATIONS & RECITATIONS

HYMN - 47 vv 1,2,4 “Behold, a Branch Is Growing”

NARRATIONS & RECITATIONS

CHOIR - “Holy Night, Silent Night”



Part II: The Song of Zechariah: “Benedictus”

NARRATIONS & RECITATIONS

READING - Luke 1:57-66

NARRATION

HYMN - 275 vv. 1-2 “Blest Be the God of Israel”



Part III: The Song of Mary: “Magnificat”

NARRATIONS

READING - Luke 1:39-46

SOLO - “Song of Mary”



Part IV: The Song of the Angels: “Gloria in Excelsis”

NARRATION & RECITATIONS

HYMN 68 - “Away In A Manger” *The congregation is invited to
join in on verse 3.*

NARRATIONS & RECITATIONS

SONG - “The First Noel”



Part V: The Song of Simeon: “Nunc Dimittis”

NARRATION

READING - Luke 2:25-33

NARRATION

CONGREGATIONAL SONG - “Song of Simeon” *This song is found on page 61 in the front section of the hymnal.*

NARRATION

OFFERING



Candlelight Hymn

HYMN - 60 “Silent Night”

The ushers will light candles from the middle aisle beginning at the front. Please keep lit candles upright and tip the unlit candle to transfer the flame.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD’S PRAYER

SONG (Choir & Children) - “Carol of Angels”

BENEDICTION

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C: Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN - 62 “Joy to the World”

Serving this evening:

Organist: Jane Vacek

Altar Guild: Betty Henke & Donna Telecky **Elder:** Kurt Leske

Video: Mike Heine

Ushers: Bruce Trick, Kyler Adams, Tessa Adams, Don Dettman, Andy Weber, Brad Weber, Dylan Weber, Travis Gauer, Jon Hoff, Nolan Hoff

Choir:

Directed by Kim Schmeling

Barb Devries, Deb Plaman, Karen Kohls, Janel Radunz, Chrissy Forcier, Dori Duesterhoeft, Cidy Wendorff, Del Prieve, Rod Schmeling, Lucas Plamann, Brian Gephart, Mike Heine, Steve Wendorff, Jane Vacek

Preschool-Kindergarten

Kate Black

Alex DeVries

Aubree Mackedanz

Megan Plamann

Brynlie Podratz

Kyle Rasmussen

Gavin Wersal

Grades 1-3

Cody Black

Stella Clark

Joseph DeVries

Samuel DeVries

Aaden Gosse

Emma Hoff

Bennett Kohls

Makenna Plamann

Ellie Podratz

Grades 4-7

Lily DeVries

Lilly Heldt

Scarlet Heldt

Natalie Hoff

Avery Kohls

Madison Plamann

Amanda Tews