

The Christmas Story In Word and Song

December 24, 2014, 5:00pm

Welcome & Old Testament Preparation

The Promise
The Nichols Family Selections from Isaiah

Hymn "O Holy Night!" Adolphe Charles Adam
John Sullivan Dwight
Placide Cappeau

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn "O Come, All Ye Faithful" C. Frederick Oakeley
John Francis Wade

New Testament Declaration The Birth of Jesus Luke 2:1-7
The Pratt Family

Hymn "Away in a Manger" James Ramsey Murray
John Thomas McFarland
Martin Luther

New Testament Declaration
The Angelic Announcement Luke 2:8-14
The O'Connell Family

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" Charles Wesley
Felix Mendelssohn

New Testament Declaration

The Shepherds' Response Luke 2:15-20
The Kauffman Family

Hymn "Angels We Have Heard on High" Traditional French Carol

New Testament Declaration

The Worship of the Wise Men Matthew 2:1-11
The Choi Family

Call for the Offering/Prayer of Dedication

Offertory "We Three King!" John Henry, Hopkins Jr.
(Congregation sings refrain for all verses)
O star of wonder, star of light, Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light.

Hymn "Joy to the World!" George Frideric Handel
Isaac Watts

Hymn "The First Noel" Traditional English Carol

Meditation "A Light Shining in the Darkness" Rev. Rob Yancey
John 1:1-4

Hymn "Silent Night, Holy Night" Franz Xaver Gruber
John Freeman Young
Joseph Mohr

Benediction

Live Nativity Scene

Angels and Shepherds	Baker Family, Bettridge Family Gawler Family Riker Family
3 Kings.....	Ben Yancey David Liston Mac Malloy
Mary/Joseph/Jesus	Weidle Family

Special Thanks

Costumes	Amanda Westley Carol Van Duzer Chris McElroy
Director.....	Carol Van Duzer
Music.....	Adam Kunsberg
Sound and Light.....	Doru Zuba
Staging.....	Amanda Westly
Ushers	Steve Bezirgianian Youth Group Students

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A detailed illustration of a nativity scene set against a dark blue night sky filled with stars. A large, bright, multi-pointed star (the Star of Bethlehem) shines prominently in the upper center. Below it, a small, rustic wooden manger is perched on a rocky outcrop. Inside the manger, the infant Jesus lies in a bed of straw, wrapped in a white cloth. Mary, dressed in a blue robe, kneels beside the manger, holding the infant. Joseph, in a brown robe, stands behind her. In the background, a town with glowing windows is visible on a hillside, and a palm tree is on the right. The overall scene is illuminated with a soft, ethereal light.

A Family Christmas Eve Service

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