

# **2020 Christmas Eve Family Worship Service**



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Welcome

Holly Bannan

Call to Worship

Iona Community, *Cloth for the Cradle*

Resce Youngblood

One: Light looked down and saw darkness.

**All: "I will go there," said Light.**

One: Peace looked down and saw war.

**All: "I will go there," said Peace.**

One: Love looked down and saw hatred.

**All: "I will go there," said Love.**

One: So he, the Lord of Light,  
the Prince of Peace, the King of Love,  
came down and crept in beside us.

**All: Let us worship God.**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Hamilton Family

Alex, Kristin, Hope, Sadie and Jamie

Unison Prayer

Lord, we rejoice that you have come among us. May the flame of the candle remind us that you are the Light of the World. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

† Carol

O Come All Ye Faithful - #133

O come, all ye faithful,  
joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye,  
to Bethlehem!  
Come and behold Him,  
born the King of angels!

Sing, choirs of angels,  
sing in exultation!  
Sing, all ye citizens  
of heaven above!  
Glory to God,  
glory in the highest!

O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord!

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† Congregation will stand

# **The Journey to Bethlehem**

**The Birth of Jesus:** Luke 2:1-7

Jane Close

**Carol**

**Away in a Manger - #114**

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,  
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.  
The stars in the sky looked down where He lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay  
Close by me forever and love me, I pray.  
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care.  
And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there.

**Angels Tell of Jesus' Birth:** Luke 2:8-14

Resce Youngblood

One: And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising  
God and saying,  
All: **"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he  
favors!"**

**Carol**

**Angels We Have Heard on High - #113**

Angels we have heard on high,  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their joyous strains.

Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee  
Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.

Gloria, in excelsis Deo!  
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**Shepherds Go to See Baby Jesus:** Luke 2:15-19

Abby Clementson

**Carol**

**Silent Night - #122**

Silent night, holy night,  
All is calm, all is bright,  
Round yon virgin mother and child!  
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night,  
Shepherds quake at the sight,  
Glories stream from heaven afar,  
Heavenly hosts sing: "Alleluia!"  
Christ the Savior is born,  
Christ the Savior is born!"

**Magi Bring Gifts:** Matthew 2:1-11

Jane Close

**Presentation of Offering**

Abby Clementson

## Carol

## Joy to the World - #134

Joy to the world! The Lord is come.  
Let earth receive her King  
Let every heart  
Prepare Him room  
And heaven and nature sing  
And heaven and nature sing  
And heaven and heaven and nature sing

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns  
Let men their songs employ  
While fields and floods  
Rocks, hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness,  
And wonders of His love;  
And wonders of His love;  
And wonders, wonders of His love.

## Prayer

Abby Clementson

## Carol

## Go Tell It On the Mountain - #136

*Refrain:*  
Go, tell it on the mountain  
Over the hills and everywhere;  
Go, tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born!

Down in lowly manger  
The humble Christ was born,  
And God sent us salvation  
That blessed Christmas morn.  
*Refrain*

## Benediction

Rev. Robert Bannan

Holy Family ..... Alex, Kristin, Hope, Sadie and Jamie  
Angel..... Lilla Langley  
Shepherds..... Kate Lancaster, Lettie Brown and Charlotte Clementson  
Magi ..... Jacob Bannan, Cannon Mitchell and Grace Mitchell  
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