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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** 

**WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER** 

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

On this holiest of nights:

We come, joining the shepherds who are stunned by wonder.

On this most silent night:

We come, our hopes and dreams joining those of Mary and Joseph.

On this night of carols and candlelight:

We come, our glad songs joining with the choirs of angels over us.

Tonight, we are both here and on a hillside outside Bethlehem. Tonight, we join our voices in singing and listen to choirs of angles. Tonight, like every night, is new, and yet, we have been here before and heard this story before. And when, at this evening's end, we pass the light of a candle, we will see one another through the eyes of God's timeless love.

Come, it is Christmas Eve, let us worship together.

\*HYMN "Angels We Have Heard on High" #238, v. 1-3

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH Jennifer Olejniczak & Family

**CHRISTMAS QUIZ** 

A Reading from "Kneeling in Bethlehem" by Ann Weems

**OFFERING** 

"Carol of the Bells" and "Adeste Fideles"

Maria Augusta Abad

\*DOXOLOGY AND BLESSING OVER OFFERING

VIDEO Kids Tell The Christmas Story

\*CHRISTMAS CAROL SING-ALONG See screens

SPECIAL MUSIC "O Holy Night" Jennifer Olejniczak

SCRIPTURE READINGS Mary Pierce

Old Testament—Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 Luke's Gospel—Luke 2:8-14

New Testament—Galatians 4:4-7

THE MESSAGE What Christmas Is All About Rev. Denise Robinson

\*SINGING OF SILENT NIGHT AND PASSING THE LIGHT

\*BENEDICTION FOLLOWED BY "JOY TO THE WORLD"

**POSTLUDE** 

