



THE HOUSE OF
HOPE
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

CHRISTMAS EVE 2024

A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS
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Prelude

(7:30 p.m.) *Magnificat* (see insert for texts)

Antonio Vivaldi

Please stand in body or spirit when the bell rings.

+Antiphon:

The musical score for the Antiphon is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves. The first four staves are for the Cantor, and the fifth is for the Congregation. The lyrics are: "Be - hold, our Sa - vior has come, Glo - - - ri - a, Be - hold, our Sa - vior has come, Glo - - - ri - a, Be - hold, He brings us Hope, He brings us Peace, Glo - ri - a, He brings us joy, He brings us Love, Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!"

+Opening Hymn: *O Come, All Ye Faithful*, #41

ADESTE FIDELES

Verse 1: All
Verse 2: High Voices
Verse 3: All

Anthem: *Shepherd's Pipe Carol*

John Rutter

Going through the hills on a night all starry
On the way to Bethlehem,
Far away I heard a shepherd boy piping
On the way to Bethlehem.

*Angels in the sky brought this message nigh:
"Dance and sing for joy that Christ the newborn King
Is come to bring us peace on earth
And He's lying cradled there at Bethlehem."*

"Tell me, shepherd boy piping tunes so merrily
On the way to Bethlehem,
Who will hear your tunes on these hills so lonely
On the way to Bethlehem?"

"None may hear my pipes on these hills so lonely
On the way to Bethlehem;
But a King will hear me play sweet lullabies
When I get to Bethlehem."

"Where is the new King, shepherd boy piping merrily
Is He there at Bethlehem?"
"I will find Him soon by the star shining brightly
In the sky o'er Bethlehem."

"May I come with you, shepherd boy piping merrily
Come with you to Bethlehem?
Pay my homage too at the new King's cradle
Is it far to Bethlehem?"

Opening Prayer and Welcome

Rev. Dr. Julia A. Carlson

Lesson 1: Isaiah 11:1-10

Signe Ilstrup

Carol: *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming, #48* (please remain seated)

ES IST EIN' ROS'

Lesson 2: Micah 5:2-5a

Julie Schramke

+Carol: *O Little Town of Bethlehem, #44*

ST. LOUIS

Lesson 3: Luke 1:26-35, 38

Rachel Brandwein

+Carol: *Angels We Have Heard on High, #23*

GLORIA

Lesson 4: Luke 2:1-7

Linda Smith

Anthem: *Hallelu*

Stephen Paulus

Down in a valley, sing hallelu.
Mary had a baby, sing hallelu.
What did she name Him, sing hallelu?
Named Him Jesus, hallelu.

Lesson 5: Luke 2:8-20

Timothy Bruett

+Carol: *What Child is This, #53*

GREENSLEEVES

Christmas Meditation: *All. The. People.*

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake

+Carol: *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, #31*

MENDELSSOHN

Christmas Offering (see back page for ways to give)

Harp Solo: *In Dulci Jubilo*

Rachel Brandwein, Harp

A. D. Miller

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Phillip J. Romine

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Anthem: *This Christmas Night*

Malcom Williamson

How sweet and clear above the sounds of war
the clamorous bells are pealing their delight!
The angels sing of glory, as they soar
among the man-made stars, this Christmas night.
And, once again, with spices and with gold,
three Kings are riding through the sparkling snow
to this poor lodging in the bitter cold
where Mary kneels within the lantern glow
to watch her Baby lying in the hay, and think about the wonder of His birth;
And as He sleeps to hold his hands and pray
for peace to come upon this troubled earth.

- Mary Wilson

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Lesson 6: John 1:1-14

Hymn: *Silent Night, Holy Night*, #60 (See text below)

STILLE NACHT

(During the orchestra introduction to the hymn, candle light is passed from the ushers to the congregation.)

Silent Night, Holy Night

**1. 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.**

**2. 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!"**

**3. Silent night! Holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.**

**4. Silent night, Holy night!
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing,
Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born.**

+Benediction

Postlude

+Stand in body or spirit

**The CHRISTMAS OFFERING supports the operation of the church for ministry in our community.
Envelopes can be found in the pews. Please give generously to this important offering.**

- In-Person. Offering plates will be provided.
- Website. On the homepage, click "Support House of Hope", then click on "Make a Gift", enter amount and use: "Contribution General Fund"
- Mail. Mail a check to 797 Summit Ave. Saint Paul, MN 55105
- QR Code. Select "Give online", enter amount and use "Contribution General Fund"



PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, Transitional Pastor; Rev. Dr. Julia A. Carlson, Senior Associate Pastor;
Rev. Phillip J. Romine, Transitional Associate Pastor; Dr. Aaron David Miller, Organist; Dr. Matthew Culloton, Conductor;
The Motet Choir and Chamber Orchestra; Carillon Prelude: Timothy Short

THE MOTET CHOIR:

Sopranos: Hannah Armstrong*, Ann Elliott, Signe Ilstrup, Lynda Jorgenson, Linh Kauffman*, Diane Koschak*, Kristina MacKenzie, Cally Minner, Peggy Radio, Linda Smith, Lillie Elliott Sterling, Linda Trouten, Rebecca White **Altos:** Dorothea Anderson, Allison Eckberg*, Andrea Hitz, Deb James, Stacia McGee, Laura Merriam, Cindy Messer, Lezlie Nelson, Paula Norman, Sandy Schoenecker*, Julie Schramke, Christy Sutherland **Tenors:** Dale Braun, Andrew Collins, John Dell, Bryan Garcia*, Lon Hendricks, Phil Jorgenson, David Lower*, Tom Osteraas, David Pearson, J. Patrick Smith, Mark Sutherland, Bruce Trouten **Basses:** Gordon Anderson, Kip Beardsley, Ben Behler, Jeff Bipes*, Timothy Bruett*, Samuel Eckberg*, John Hokanson, David Horstmann, Ben MacKenzie, William Sales*, Eli Sorenson, Gail Tritle, Seung Joo Yoon *indicates section leader

THE HOUSE OF HOPE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA:

Violin 1: Stephanie Arado, Conor O'Brien, Elizabeth Bell **Violin 2:** Karl Braaten, Erika Hoogeveen, Stephanie Skor
Violas: Matthew Williams, Niloofar Hadi Sohi **Cellos:** Rebeccah Parker Downs, Melissa McCarthy Steinberg
Double Bass: Irving Steinberg **Flutes:** Barbara Leibundguth, Karen Baumgartner **Oboes:** Merilee Klemp, Robert McManus **Clarinets:** Jennifer Gerth, Simon Plum **Bassoons:** Laurie Hatcher Merz, Matthew Bertrand **Horns:** Patrick Pridemore, Melissa Morey **Trumpets:** Nathan Stoerzinger, Wentao Xiao **Trombones:** Richard Gaynor, Mark Springer
Timpani: Adam Rappel **Percussion:** Matthew Barber

Magnificat

Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

The House of Hope Motet Choir & Chamber Orchestra
Aaron David Miller, organ
Hannah Armstrong & Diane Koschak, sopranos
Allison Eckberg, alto; Bryan Garcia, tenor
Matthew Culloton, conductor

1. CHORUS

Magnificat, anima mea, Dominum:

My soul doth magnify the Lord:

2. SOPRANO, ALTO, TENOR, and CHORUS

Et exultavit spiritus meus in Deo, salutari meo.

Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ:

ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes.

Quia fecit mihi magna, qui potens est, et sanctum nomen eius.

And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name.

3. CHORUS

et misericordia eius a progenie in progenies timentibus eum.

And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations.

4. CHORUS

Fecit potentiam in brachio suo,

dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.

He hath showed strength with his arm:

He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

5. CHORUS

Deposuit potentes de sede et exaltavit humiles;

He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek.

6. SOPRANO DUET

Esurientes implevit bonis et divites dimisit inanes.

He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.

7. CHORUS

Suscepit Israel puerum suum recordatus misericordiæ suæ,

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:

8. CHORUS S,A,B

Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros, Abraham et semini eius in sæcula.

as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, forever.

9. CHORUS

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto:

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,

et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now,

and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.