

Welcome to
Calvin Presbyterian Church
"Renew, Rebuild & Reach Out"



Silent Night
Holy Night

Christmas Eve
December 24, 2018

As the prelude begins, you are invited to enter into quiet, and allow the music to help prepare you for worship. (= Please stand if you are able)*

Prelude

Solo "*Mary, did you know?*"

Mark Lowry & Buddy Greene

Soloist – Meghan MacIsaac

* Processional Hymn #159 "*O come, all ye faithful*" (vv. 1-5)

Welcome and Greetings

Lighting of the Christ Candle (see PWS&D insert) - Dean & Abbey Bulloch

Prayer

Readings: Isaiah 9:1a, 2-3, 6-7 - Filimon, Marta & Ruta Asefaw

Choir Anthem "*Star light*"

Gene Grier

Reading: Luke 1:26-38 – Beceada & Nyasunday Peter

* Hymn #133 "*Go, tell it on the mountain*" (vv. 1-3)

Reading: Luke 2:1-7 – Audrey Johnston

* Hymn #138 "*While shepherds watched*" (vv. 1-6)

Reading: Luke 2:8-20 – Adam & Nicole Judge

Choir Anthem "*Christmas Lullaby (I will lead you home)*"

Chris Eaton & Amy Grant

Reading: Matthew 2:1-12 – Emöke & Kincsö Szatmari

Prayer of Understanding – Chudier Yien Oral

As we listen to the familiar story of your coming among us as a child of flesh and blood, open our minds and hearts so that we may hear the wondrous events with new understanding, with wisdom, and with joy. Guide us with your Holy Spirit Father, and your word to hear your wisdom, to see how we might serve you, and to live lives of trust, hope and love. In Jesus name we pray. Amen

Christmas Message "Joy to the World"

* Hymn #136 "*The first nowell*" (vv. 1-6)

Offering

>> *Presentation of gifts, tithes and offering during the singing of the hymn*

Prayer of Dedication

We experience your blessings every day. Your blessings are always given to us freely and with ultimate love. Father, you loved us all of the way from the manger to the cross! May we love you enough to give you what is already yours. Bless these tithes and offerings today. We love you Lord! Amen

The Light of Christ comes to the people

Hymn #154 "*Silent night*" (vv. 1-3, remain seated)

Prayer

* Benediction

(Extinguish candles)

* Hymn #153 "*Joy to the world*" (vv. 1-4)

Postlude "Noel medley"

Michel Allard



The Christmas offering at tonight's service will be divided among House of Friendship, Presbyterians Sharing, and Calvin Church General Fund.

Thank you to the following people for participating in tonight's service: Dean & Abbey Bulloch; Filimon, Marta & Ruta Asefaw; Beceada & Nyasunday Peter; Audrey Johnston; Adam & Nicole Judge; Emöke & Kincsö Szatmari; Chudier Yien Oral. Thanks also to guest musicians – Paul Allard and Meghan MacIsaac.

All are welcome for the **Christmas Day service** at 10:15 a.m. tomorrow.

Holiday Hours –The office will be open this week only on December 28. Regular office hours resume January 2. Rev. Frank will be available for pastoral care during this time.

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