



Faith's Handbell Choir presents:

a Christmas Handbell Worship

DECEMBER 7TH

Followed by a program at Waterford at 2pm

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BELLS OF FAITH

O Come, O Come Emmanuel
Arranged by Hal Hopson

Come, All Ye Shepherds
Arranged by Martha Lynn Thompson

The Friendly Beasts
Arranged by Douglas Wagner

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose home is heaven and earth, whose salvation is sure.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Long-expected God, **we confess that we look to ourselves for the peace and security only you can provide. We reach for swords and spears, reluctant to release our grip on the ways of war. We become impatient while waiting and weary of keeping awake. Free us from self-reliance, and teach us to live in harmony with our neighbors. Increase our trust in God's timing, and awaken us to your advent among us, that we may abound in the hope you have promised.**
Amen.

God judges us not as we deserve, but according to God's own righteousness. ☩ You are freed and forgiven, saved by grace, and ready to welcome the Savior. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray... Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

BELLS OF FAITH

Pat-a-Pan
Arranged by Jason Krug

For Unto Us a Child Is Born
George F Handel; Arranged by Linda Lamb

Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella
Arranged by Martha Lynn Thompson

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

...God of grace,
Hear our prayer.

... and all God's children say,
Amen.

OFFERING

BELLS OF FAITH

What Child is This?
Arranged by unknown

The Holly and the Ivy
Arranged by Kevin McChesney

Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful
Arranged by Raymond Herbek



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, the Beginning and the End, our Salvation and our Hope,
we praise you for creating a world of order and beauty. When we brought on chaos,
cruelty and despair, you sent the prophets to proclaim your justice and mercy. At this
end of the ages your Son Jesus came to bring us your love
and to heal all the suffering world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for
you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the
forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection, we await his coming again in
righteousness and peace. Send your Spirit on us and on this bread and wine we share:
strengthen our faith, increase our hope, and bring to birth the justice and joy of your
Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in
your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the
power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION & DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

In this meal, righteousness and peace meet together. Come, take your place at the
table.

Amen.

*All are welcome at God's table.
Communion instructions will be shared verbally.*

COMMUNION HYMNS

The Bells of Christmas ELW 298
The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came ELW 265

COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

BELLS OF FAITH

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
Arranged by Jason Krug*

*Silent Night, Holy Night
Arranged by Raymond Herbek*

*Joy to the World
George F Handel, Lowell Mason; Arranged by Martha Lynn Thompson*

BLESSING

God of endings and beginnings, God in the darkness and the light, God, our hope for the journey, ☩ bless and keep you now and forever. **Amen.**

PEACE & DISMISSAL

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Together in Faith, we **share Christ's love with all through word and action.**

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