WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH December 24th, 2019 Christmas Eve

PRELUDE Medley of Carols

BELL CHOIR Medley of Carols

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP Led by Ted Tubbs

Leader: Welcome tonight to a celebration like no other!

People: This is the night of the Holy Birth!

Leader: Let the love of Jesus be born in your hearts and spirits!

People: Open our hearts to receive this blessed gift, Loving God.

Leader: Rejoice, good friends, the Good News is here!

People: Christ our Savior is Born! Hallelujah! AMEN.

*HYMN "O Come, All Ye Faithful" UMH #234 vs. 1,3,6

ANNOUNCEMENTS / OPENING PRAYER

LITURGY FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

*HYMN "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" UMH #211 vs. 1,2,3,4

A PRAYER TOGETHER "Psalm 96" UMH pg. 815

Led by Ted Tubbs

HYMN "Glory Be to the Father" **UMH #70**

SPECIAL MUSIC "Amid the Cold of Winter", Rhoades

A TIME WITH OUR YOUNG PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY *Meditation on "Forrest Green"*, Wood

*DOXOLOGY UMH #94

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

INVOCATION

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:1-5 New Testament pg. 58

HYMN "O Little Town of Bethlehem" **UMH #230**

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:6-7 New Testament pg. 58

HYMN "What Child is This" **UMH #219**

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:8-15 New Testament pg. 58

HYMN "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" **UMH #240**

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:16-18 New Testament pg. 58

HYMN "Away in a Manger" **UMH #217**

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 9:2 Old Testament pg. 638

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:14-16 New Testament pg. 4

SHARING OF THE LIGHT

HYMN "Silent Night, Holy Night" **UMH #239**

*TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Toccata on Mendelssohn", Gant

^{*}Indicates that those who are able and comfortable doing so shall stand.

TONIGHT'S BULLETINS

The Christmas Eve bulletins are given in loving memory of Bob Wilson and Jack and Wendy Wilson Obourn and their sons, Jason and Patrick, by Pauline Wilson.

PARTICIPATING IN TONIGHT'S SERVICE

Rev. Mike Kelly Jamie Smith Ted Tubbs Pastor Organist Liturgist

<u>Ushers</u>: Pat Edger, Gail McIntyre, Dan Towns, Rusty Dye

<u>Choir Members</u>: Doris Bempkins, Matt Blodgett, George Bunnell, Evelyn Einfeldt, Helen Fisher, Michael Hudson, Dave Johnson, Hyung Lee, Cathy Patterson, Linda Sutton, Ken VanEtten, Nancy VanEtten

<u>Bell Choir</u>: Vida Johnson, Donna Kuhner, Cathy Patterson, Jeff Smith, Nancy VanEtten

