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**ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
DECEMBER 24, 2017
7:00 PM**

PRELUDE "Christmas Reflections" Sarah Douglas

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

All: He was with God in the beginning. All things came into being through Him.

Leader: In Him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

All: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

*HYMN No. 41 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"
**Please stand as you are able.*

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE The Graco Family

SCRIPTURE READING John 12:44-50

COLLECT (Unison Prayer)

Give us, O God, such love and wonder, that with the shepherds, the wise men, and pilgrims unknown, we may come to adore the Holy Child, the promised King and with our gifts, worship Him, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*HYMN No. 31 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 9:2-7

ANTHEM "African Noel" Victor Johnson
Youth Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:26-38

MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children through 5th grade are invited to come down to the chancel.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 1:18-24

HYMN No. 44 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

SCRIPTURE READING John 1:1-14

ANTHEM "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" Lloyd Larson
Youth Choir

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "I Believe" Natalie Grant
Anna Meyer, Soloist

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:1-14
(Page 958 in the pew Bible)

ANTHEM "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" Mac Huff
Elementary Choir

SERMON "Peace on Earth – The Glory of God" Dr. Dirk Lesnett

*HYMN No. 40 "Joy to the World"

SPREADING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*As the ushers spread the flame of the Christ Candle, please be very careful.
Assist children who are holding candles, and be sure to tip the unlit candle towards
the lit one to avoid dripping hot wax.*

HYMN "Silent Night" ~see insert

BENEDICTION

*Please extinguish your candles before you leave your pews, and place the candles
and the plastic holders in the boxes located at each exit door so they can be used
again next Christmas. Thank you.*

POSTLUDE "Joy on Christmas Day" Gregg Sewell

*We will be combining our worship services on Sunday, December 31, 2017.
Please join us at 10 AM that Lord's Day morning for worship.*