

# Christmas Eve Service

## A Celebration of His Birth


December 24, 2017 Pastor F. Calvin Miller Color: White

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### PRELUDE

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PROCESSION AND ILLUMINATION:

 **HYMN:** “O Come, All Ye Faithful” vs 1-3 Hymn # 234

### CALL TO WORSHIP: *Isaiah 9:6-8*

Leader: For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government shall be upon his shoulder,

**Congregation:** and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, the Everlasting Father the Prince of Peace.

Leader: Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end,

**Congregation:** upon the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and for evermore. Amen

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION:** Pastor Cal

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH** See Insert  
*Tonight we welcome the Price Family*

The Fifth Candle; The Christ Candle, the Light of His Birth

**HYMN:** “It Came Upon A Midnight Clear” vs 1 & 2 Hymn # 218

Luke 1:5-24: ‘ Gabriel Speaks to Zechariah and Elizabeth ’

**HYMN:** “O Come O Come Emmanuel” vs 1 Hymn # 211

Luke 1:26-36: ‘ Gabriel Speaks to Mary ’

**SOLO:** Kathryn Richtaresik: “Mary Did You Know”

Matthew 1:18-24: ‘ Gabriel Speaks to Joseph ’

**SOLO:** Ian Bussiere: “God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen”

Luke 2:1-7: ‘ Born in Bethlehem according to Prophecy ’ Micah 5:2

**HYMN:** “O Little Town of Bethlehem” vs 1 Hymn # 230

### OUR GIFTS TO GOD ARE CALLED FORTH:

Invitation

Offerings to God

**Offertory** Choir Anthem: “Rejoice” by Joel Lindsey & Russell Mauldin

 Doxology (95)

 Prayer of Dedication

### POINSETTIA GARDEN OF HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE

### MOMENT OF PRAYER & MEDITATION

*Pastoral Prayer & Lord’s Prayer* (in unison):

**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 have trespassed 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. Amen.

Luke 2:8-20: ‘ The Scene at the Manger ’

**SOLO:** Brandy Wood: “My Son Will Become My Savior Tonight”


 Candle Lighting

**HYMN** “Silent Night, Holy Night”

See Insert

### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

 *All who are able, you are invited to stand.*

Thank you for not bringing food or beverage, except water, into the Sanctuary as well as turning off your cell phones during service ☺

Join us for Wednesday night Hour Of Prayer with Pastor Cal, 6-7pm!

**Thank You to this weeks Volunteer Worship Leaders!**

**December 24, 2017**

Greeters: DENISE PRICE

Ushers: ??????????

Co-leader: CINDY CARVILL

**December 31, 2017**

Greeters: BETH BERNSTIEN &

ELMINIA LAWRENCE

Ushers: CINDY CARVILL & SKIP

WOOD

Co-leader: MARTHA DIENST

**Pastor:** F. Calvin Miller

**Senior Deacon:** Marvin

Bernstein

**Fellow Deacons:** Merrily Stone, Cindy Carvill, Jerry McKean, Katrina Fleming, Robert Duval, Martha Dienst, Ian Bussiere & Dakota Wood

**Director of Music:** Jayne Thompson

**Children's Ministry:** Brandy Wood

**Youth Director:** Jennie LeBlanc

**Office Administrator:** Cheri Comer

**Church Sexton:** James Lemmer

**Nursery Attendant:** Kayte Richtarcsik

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**Offering for the week of December 10, 2017**

General \$2,734.50 Missions \$310.50 Loose Offering \$179.03

Holly Bazaar \$2,998.56 Steeple Lighting \$10.00

Total \$6,232.59 Thank you for giving & God Bless!

**Offering for the week of December 17, 2017**

General \$1,517.00 Missions \$75.00 Loose Offering \$651.10

Christmas Offering \$20.00 Poinsettia \$24.00

Total \$2,287.10 Thank you for giving & God Bless!