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## Christmas Eve Candles, Carols, and Children

Saturday, December 24, 2016

5:00 p.m.

Prelude	<i>In Dulci Jubilo</i>
Tara Partington, organ	<i>Don Michael Dicie</i>
*Carol 89	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i>
*Lighting of the Christ Candle	Brian and Jenny Flournoy

*Leader:* We gather to celebrate the birth of the one who is the light of the world.

***Congregation:* We are here to worship the one born this night in Bethlehem.**

*Leader:* We light the candle of hope to remind us of the promises made by the prophets that God would raise up a savior for God's people.

***Congregation:* Christ is our hope and our salvation.**

*Leader:* We light the candle of peace to remind us that it is only with God that true peace can be found.

***Congregation:* Christ brings the peace of God to us.**

*Leader:* We light the candle of joy to remind us that God gives joy to every heart that abides in grace.

***Congregation:* As Mary rejoiced in the birth of Jesus, so His birth in us brings us joy.**

*Leader:* We light the candle of love to remind us that Jesus is God's gift of love to us and that in Christ, the light of love triumphs over darkness.

***Congregation:* Love transforms all those who give and receive it.**

*Leader:* We light the Christ candle to remind us that the light of the world was born this night.

***Congregation:* The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness on them a light has shined.**

\*Invocation

## The Nativity is Created

At the completion of the nativity, an opportunity will be given to take photos.

Please refrain from taking photos until that time. Thank you.

Scripture Reading	Luke 2:1-5
Carol 86: <i>O Little Town of Bethlehem</i>	Animals come to the Nativity
Olivia Ostendorff, soloist	
Scripture Reading	Luke 2:6-7
Carol 103: <i>Away in a Manger</i>	Mary and Joseph
Scripture Reading	Luke 2:8-14
Carol 93: <i>It Came Upon the Midnight Clear</i>	Angels and Shepherds
Scripture Reading	Luke 2:15-18
Carol 85: <i>The First Nowell</i>	Wise Men
Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Birth of Christ	Sam Greer
Carol 87	<i>Joy to the World</i>
Ladies Ensemble	<i>Christmas Peace Canon</i>
Heather Vandiver, director	<i>Jean Anne Shafferman</i>
Candle lighting	Jeff Raines
Carol 91	<i>Silent Night, Holy Night</i>
Benediction	Jeff Raines
Postlude	

\*Please stand

The worship service from December 18 will be on television at 10 pm on Christmas Eve, and again at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm on Christmas Day. The broadcast is on KTBS 3.3, Comcast 208, or Suddenlink 722. It can also be viewed on [KTBS.com](http://KTBS.com). The service will also be broadcast on KPXJ CW21 on Sunday at 8:00 a.m. at the regularly scheduled time.