

# *The Greatest Gift*

“Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place,  
which the Lord has made known to us.” ~ from Luke 2:15



Christmas Eve Candlelight Service ~ 11:00pm ~ Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011



**Scripture Reading** Luke 2:8-14 Pew Bible, NT Pg. 58  
**Hymn** *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* Hymnal #240

**Scripture Reading** Luke 2:15-16 Pew Bible, NT Pg. 58  
**Hymn** *The First Noel* (v. 1) Hymnal #245

**Chancel Choir** *All is Well* Smith

**Meditation** *More Than Enough* Rev. Donna Minarik

**Holy Communion** See Insert  
*O Holy Night* arr. Adam  
Rick Eldridge & Sue Rosso

**Special Music** *Do You Hear?* Greven/Fields  
Oasis Praise

## The Lighting of Candles

**Hymn** *Silent Night, Holy Night* Hymnal #239  
Rick Eldridge, Warren Minarik, & Sue Rosso  
*When the singing is complete,  
please extinguish your candles.*

## Prayer of Dedication

**\*Hymn** *Joy to the World* Hymnal #246

## \*Benediction

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\* Those able are invited to stand.



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### *Greetings in the Name of the Holy Child*

Thank you for spending this most blessed evening here in praise of Jesus Christ, God's precious gift. If you are visiting this evening, please take a moment, if you can, to introduce yourself.

We'd love for you to join us for the rare opportunity to worship on a Christmas Sunday, tomorrow morning December 25<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00am, and to greet the New Year at a Single Service on Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, also at 10:00am.

If you do not have a church home, we invite you to join this congregation in praise and ministry.

If you have any questions about this church or its ministries or if we can be of assistance to you in any way, please let us know.

May you be especially blessed this Christmas,

*Reverends Carman & Donna*

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*On this night, God has given us the greatest gift of all... the gift of Christ.*

*Your offering this evening will help extend that gift into our community and our world through the ministries of this church.*

*You'll have an opportunity to make your offerings at each of the doors as you depart the Sanctuary this evening.*

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♦ Reverends Carman & Donna Minarik, pastors

♦ The Choir is directed by Michael Emshwiller, Director of Music & Worship Ministries

♦ Accompaniment provided by Michael Emshwiller, organ, & Bonnie Robbins-McCormick, piano

♦ Oasis Praise is led by Rick Eldridge & Sue Rosso.

*Serving as Greeters  
for This Service are:*

Stacy Krynski at the East Door

Linda L. Johnston at the West Door

Keith Rosso at the Cass Door

**If you purchased an ornament and/or poinsettia this year,  
please feel free to pick them up following the service.**