

Christmas Eve Service
December 24, 2023
Lessons & Carols



Prelude

Carol of the Bells by Ross

Welcome and Announcements

The Opening Carol - *Once in Royal David's City

No. 225

The Invocation and Prayer of Praise

The First Lesson - Genesis 3:1-15

The Fall of man, and the first proclamation of the Gospel

The Carol - *Hark the Herald Angels Sing

No. 203

The Second Lesson - Isaiah 7:10-14; 9:2, 6-7

The Carol - *O Come, O Come, Immanuel

No. 194

The Third Lesson - Micah 5:2-5

The prophet Micah foretells the glory of little Bethlehem

The Carol - *O Little Town of Bethlehem

No. 201

The Fourth Lesson - Luke 1:26-38

The Angel Gabriel greets the Virgin Mary

The Fifth Lesson - Luke 1:46-56

The Virgin Mary responds to the words of the Angel Gabriel in worship and humility.

The Carol - *Infant Lowly, Infant Holy*

No. 216

Performed by Good Shepherd Adult Christmas Choir

The Sixth Lesson - Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 2:1-7

Matthew and Luke tell of the birth of Jesus.

***The Carol - What Child Is This?**

No. 213

The Seventh Lesson - Luke 2:8-16

The Shepherds go to the manger.

The Carol - *Go Tell It On the Mountain*

No. 224

Performed by Good Shepherd Youth Christmas Choir

The Eighth Lesson - Matthew 2:1-11

The Wise Men are led by the star to Jesus.

The Carol - *O Come all Ye Faithful

No. 208

The Ninth Lesson - John 1:1-14

The Apostle John unfolds the great mystery of the incarnation.

The Carol - *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing!

No. 203

Sermon: Matthew 2:1-6 “Troubling News”

Rev. Andrew Gretzinger

Prayers of Confession, Thanksgiving, and Intercession

RECOMMENDED CANDLE LIGHTING INSTRUCTIONS

- Hold the candles upright
- Someone will light the first candle in each row
- Tilt your unlit candle slightly towards the lit candle.
- DO NOT TILT the candle that is already lit. This will prevent from spilling hot wax on a person or on the ground

Concluding Carol – *Silent Night

No. 210

Benediction

Postlude

No. 200

* **Congregation:** Please stand as able.

Musicians

Cathy Reed
Grayden Lash

Choir

Performed by Good Shepherd Adult Christmas Choir

Ben Armstrong
Peter Bailey
Angela Collins
Cassy Erickson
Chris Erickson
Ken Erickson
Marianna Erickson
Michael Fish
Cyndi Ghasvarian
Andrew Gretzinger
Jenni Gretzinger
Valerie Lash
Ed Ross
Beth Siderius
Jeff Siderius
Andrea Tummond
Jeff Wiseman

Performed by Good Shepherd Youth Christmas Choir

Jedidiah Alderson
Lydia Alderson
Nehemiah Alderson
Zechariah Alderson
Nora Jones
Aaron Lash
Ethan Lash
Grace Martin
Isaiah Martin
David Gretzinger
Kathleen Gretzinger
Liam Gretzinger
Mark Gretzinger
Ryan Gretzinger



Join Us

SUN 12/31

No Sunday School

10:30 AM

Worship Service

**New Year's
Eve**

5 PM

Hymn Sing



In Memoriam

Given by: Dar Stam

*In Honor of: Don Stam & Paulette
Miles*

Given by: Mike & Robbin Kern

*In Honor of: Our Family Members who
are with Jesus*

Given by : The Gretzinger Family

*In Honor of: For Family that is missed so dearly (Chris Bliss,
Kathleen Kerr, Patrick Kerr, Virginia Gretzinger, & John
Gretzinger)*

Given by: Arlene Lanenga

In Honor of: My Husband Peter

Given by: Nick & Megan Jones

In Honor of: Russel Grosrenor (Megan's Cousin)

Poinsettias must be taken home tonight or they will be donated/handed out.