

December 25, 2011

Christmas Day
Service of Lessons and Carols

8:45 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome/Greeting

Gathering Song

“Joy to the World” vs. 1-4 (LBW 39)

Dialogue

P: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

C: those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined.

P: You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy;

C: they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder.

P: For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders;

C: and he is named Wonderful Counselor, mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Opening Prayer

Lessons and Carols

1st Read. Genesis 1:1-5, 14-18 **Song** **“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear” vs. 1-4 (LBW 54)**

2nd Read. Micah 5:2-5a **Song** **“O Little Town of Bethlehem” vs. 1-4 (LBW 41)**

3rd Read. Luke 1:26-35, 38 **Song** **“Away in a Manger” vs. 1-3 (LBW 67)**

4th Read. Matthew 1:18-25 **Song** **“The First Noel” vs. 1-4 (LBW 56)**

5th Read. Luke 2:8-20 **Song** **“Angels, from the Realms of Glory” vs. 1-4 (LBW 50)**

6th Read. Matthew 2:1-11 **Song** **“What Child is This?” vs. 1-3 (LBW 40)**

7th Read. John 1:1-14 **Song** **“Silent Night” vs. 1-3 (LBW 65)**

Responsive Prayer

P: Glory to God in the highest,

C: and peace to God’s people on earth.

P: Blessed are you, Prince of peace. You rule the earth with truth and justice.

C: Send your gift of peace to all nations of the world.

P: Blessed are you, Son of Mary. You share our humanity.

C: Have mercy on the sick, the dying, and all who suffer this day.

P: Blessed are you, Son of God. You dwell among us as the Word made flesh.

C: Reveal yourself to us in word and sacrament that we may bear your light to all the world.

Offering / Offertory

The Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

Distribution of Holy Communion

Communion Hymns **“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly” vs. 1-2 (LBW 44)**

“Angels We Have Heard on High” vs. 1-3 (LBW 71)

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel” vs. 1-5 (LBW 34)

“Good Christian Friends Rejoice” vs. 1-3 (LBW 55)

Blessing

Sending Hymn

“Go Tell It On the Mountain” vs. 1-3 (LBW 70)

Sharing the Peace

Postlude