

## ORDER OF SERVICE Christmas Eve, 2022 6:00pm The Candlelight & Carol Service The music tonight is provided by

USG Music Director Baker Purdon

and the USG Chancel Choir



Opening Words

by Edward Searle

Rev. Cheryl

Prelude

*Winter Lullaby* by PinkZebra

Welcome

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Maggie Birge-Caracappa

Chalice Lighting

All

We are the ones who keep Christmas. Christmas is what we want it to be. Christmas is loveliness, happiness, singing, laughter, giving and sharing if we will make it so.

As we light the flame of our chalice may it rekindle in our hearts the spirits of Christmas; the spirit of peace, the spirit of joy, the spirit of happiness, the spirit of love. (Holly Bell, adapted)

| Carol #245                                     |   | Joy to the World                                 |                             |
|--|---|--|-----------------------------|
| Reading  |   | ospel of Luke 2: 1-14<br>spel of Matthew 2: 1-14 | Rev. Cheryl<br>Maggie B-C   |
| Carol #231                                     | Angels We Have Heard on High  |  |                             |
| Story  | Three Christmas Wise Guys In a Modernized Version<br>by Leonard Wibberley |  |                             |
| Carol #253                                     | O Come, All Ye Faithful   |  |                             |
| Homily   |   |  | Rev. Cheryl M. Walker       |
| Christmas P                                    | rayer   |  |                             |
| Share The Plate*<br>& Adorning the Mitten Tree |   | Family Promise                                   |                             |
| Offertory                                      |   | <i>Gesu Bambino</i><br>arr. Mark Hayes           | Charles Gabriel,<br>soloist |
| Candle Ligh                                    | ting  |  | Rev. Cheryl                 |

Carol #251

Silent Night, Holy Night

Extinguishing the Chalice Maggie Birge-Caracappa *The Work of Christmas* by Howard Thurman

Benediction

Rev. Cheryl

Postlude

A Light of Hope, A Song of Peace by Mark Burrows

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- 20 pledge sends \$20 toward your pledge
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