

# Christmas Eve



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VAN BUREN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SATURDAY DECEMBER 24, 2011  
7:00 P.M.  
CHRISTMAS EVE  
"From Darkness to Light"

THE PRELUDE . . . . . "O Come, All Ye Faithful" . . . . Rosine Harris and Terry Sammet

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

\*CAROL . . . . . Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus . . . . . 2 (Blue)

THE DARKNESS: CREATION

Reading

\*CAROL . . . . . O Little Town of Bethlehem . . . . . 44 (Blue)

THE DARKNESS: SIN ENTERS THE WORLD

Reading

Interlude . . . . . "For God So Loved the World" . . . . . Recorded

A TINY FLAME: GOD MAKES A PROMISE

Reading

\*CAROL . . . . . "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" . . . . . 31 (Blue)

*Lighting of the Advent Candles: God's Promises*

A WARMING LIGHT

Scripture . . . . . Luke 2:1-20

Meditation . . . . . "Seek the Light" . . . . . Dr. Friedmeyer

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

*-"Christmas Prayer" from Cloth for the Cradle, p. 92-93 by the Wild Goose Resource Group, © 1997, 2000 Wild Goose resource Group, Iona Community, Scotland, GIA Publications, Inc., exclusive North American agent.*

SOLO . . . . . "All Is Well" . . . . . Jenni Friedmeyer

A SPREADING GLOW

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world.

**Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."** (*John 8:12*)

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son,  
**that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."** (*John 3:16*)

\*CAROL . . . . . "Joy to the World!" . . . . . 40 (Blue)

HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

CANDLE LIGHTING

\*CAROL . . . . . "Silent Night! Holy Night!" . . . . . 122 (Brown)

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*THE POSTLUDE

\* Please stand as you are able

Organist: Rosine Harris

Readers: Erika Friedmeyer and Amy Sammet

Pastor: Dr. James E. Friedmeyer

WELCOME TO VAN BUREN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We welcome those who worship with us tonight. It is our prayer that this service will help you to draw closer to our Lord Jesus Christ. If you are looking for a place to worship, we invite you to come join in our worship of Jesus Christ. Sunday School begins at 9:15 a.m. and Worship begins at 10:30 a.m.

Christmas Morning Worship

We will have an informal worship service tomorrow morning starting at 10:30. The message will be "An Angel's Story", by Max Lucado. Come and worship the new born King!