Christmas Day 2011 10:00 a.m.

+Stand as you are able

Welcome and Announcements, and Signing of the Friendship Pads

Passing of the Peace of Christ: "May the grace and peace of Christ be with you."

Prelude Worship Leader Robert Anderson

+Call to Worship "Canticle of Light and Darkness" (musical response #3) p. 205

+Opening Hymn "Joy to the World" p. 246

Blessings Gathering of Prayers

Call to Prayer

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Bidding Prayer

Beloved in Christ, this Christmas Day it is our duty and delight to prepare ourselves to hear again the message of the angels, and to go in heart and mind to Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, and the Babe lying in a manger.

Therefore let us hear again from Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God from the first days of our sin until the glorious redemption brought us by this holy Child; and let us make this house of prayer glad with our carols of praise.

But first, because this of all things would rejoice Jesus' heart, let us pray to him for the needs of the whole world, and all his people; for peace upon the earth he came to save; for love and unity within the one Church he did build; for goodwill among all peoples.

And particularly at this time let us remember the poor, the cold, the hungry, the oppressed; the sick and them that mourn; the lonely and the unloved; the aged and the little children; and all who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love.

Lastly let us remember all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we for evermore are one.

These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the throne of heaven, in the words that Christ himself has taught us.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Blessing of the Toys

Receiving the Offering Prayer of Dedication Worship Leader

+Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessing flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Special Music "What Child Is This"
"God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen"
Walt Westbrook, Guitar

Blessing

The almighty God bless us with divine grace, Christ give us the joys of everlasting life, and unto the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all. **Amen.**

First Lesson Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19

Carol "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" p. 196

Second Lesson Genesis 22:15-18

Carol "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" p. 211

Third Lesson Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Carol "I Want to Walk..." p. 206

Fourth Lesson Isaiah 11:1-4a, 6-9

Carol "Lo, How a Rose" Evelyn Penn

Fifth Lesson Luke 1:26-35, 38

Carol "O Holy Night" Ken Anderson, Trumpet

Sixth Lesson Luke 2:1-7

Carol "Silent Night" Walt Westbrook, Guitar

Seventh Lesson Luke 2:8-16

Carol "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" & "In the Bleak MidWinter"
Laura Bender, Walt Westbrook

Ninth Lesson John 1:1-14

Carol "O Come, All Ye Faithful" p. 234, vs. 1,3 & 6

Christmas Prayer p. 231

Dismissal with Blessing

May the Christ who by his Incarnation gathered into One things earthly and heavenly, fill you with the sweetness of inward peace and goodwill; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go forth in peace and joy. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Going Forth

+Postlude