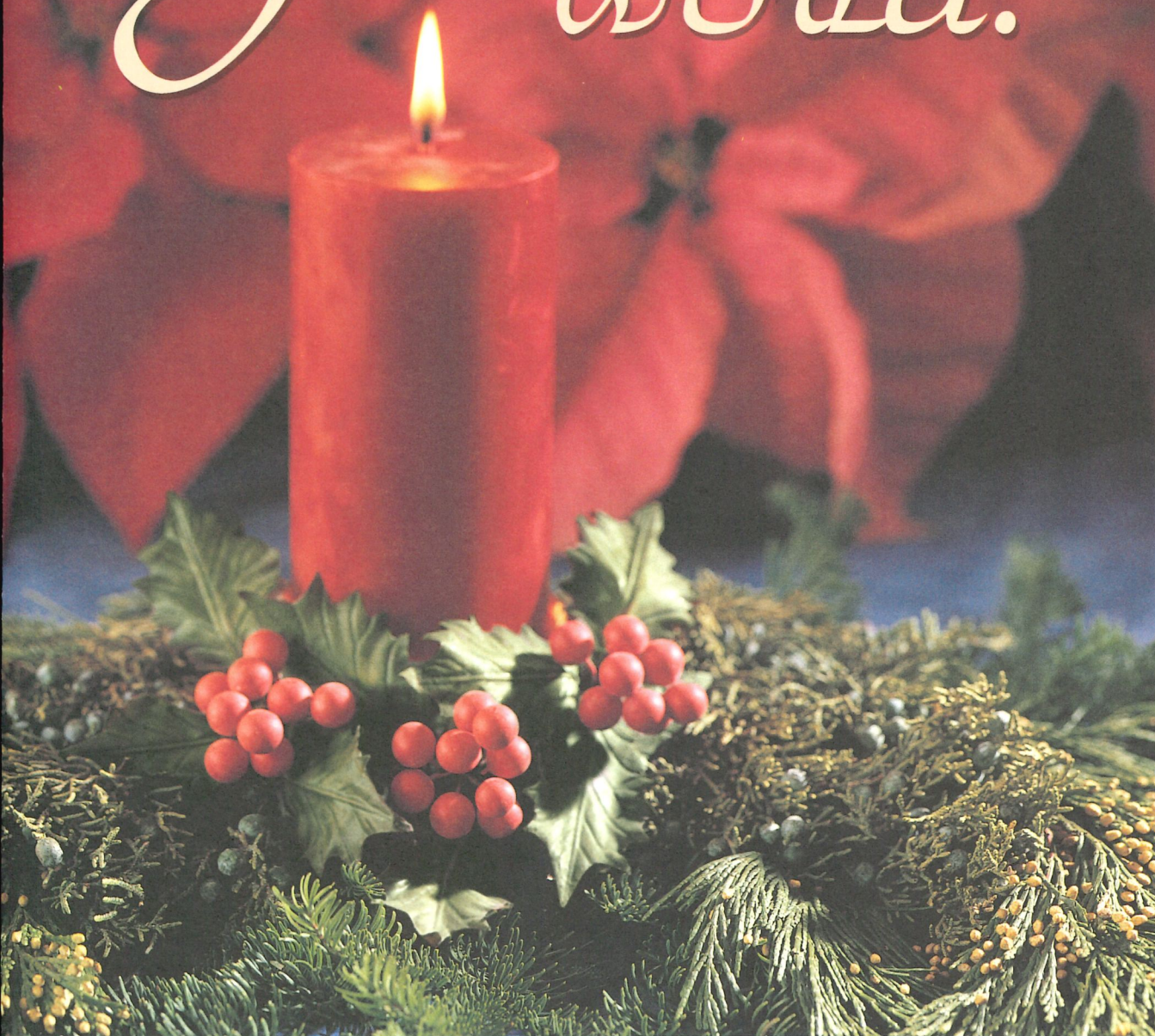


*Joy to the  
world!*



# CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

## DECEMBER 24, 2025

**PRELUDE** *O Come All Ye Faithful*

Noah Garvic - piano

*Mary Did You Know*

Arr: Raney

*O Holy Night*

Arr: Roed

### CHRISTMAS PROCLAMATION

**HYMN** Red hymnal #283

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

### GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray . . .

**Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and on the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

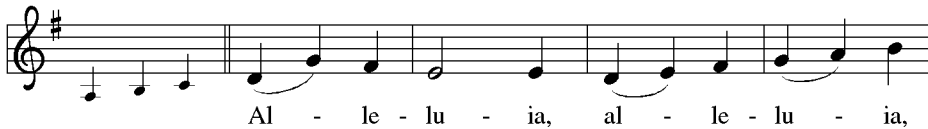
**CHANCEL CHOIR** Director Bill Jones

*Run to Bethlehem*

Words: Charlotte Lee Music: Douglas Wagner

**READING FROM Isaiah 9:2-7** / Reader

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*Repeat alleluia*



## THE CHRISTMAS GOSPEL Luke 2:1-20 / Pastor Jaren Summers

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### MESSAGE FOR CHRISTMAS Pastor Jaren Summers

### HYMN Red hymnal #277

*Away in a Manger*

### NICENE CREED

P: Let us confess our faith.

C: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### RECEIVING OF GIFTS, TITHES, AND OFFERINGS

CHANCEL CHOIR Director Bill Jones

*Will You Travel to Bethlehem*

Composer: Don Besig

Words: Nancy Price

### COMMUNION PREFACE #107 & 108

*Great Thanksgiving*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise....we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
 pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### LORD'S PRAYER

**C:** 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 and ever. Amen.

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION** *All who confess Jesus as their Lord and Savior and believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to receive Holy Communion.*

### CAROLS DURING COMMUNION

Red hymnal #276  
 #289  
 #487

*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly  
 Angels We Have Heard on High  
 What Feast of Love*

### CANDLE LIGHTING

*Still, Still, Still*

Arr. Keveren

### READING FROM JOHN 1

**HYMN Red hymnal #281**

*Silent Night*

**C: Silent Night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright round  
yon virgin mother and child. Holy Infant, so tender and mild,  
sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.**

**Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight;  
glories stream from heaven afar, heav'nly hosts . . . sing,  
alleluia! Christ the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!**

**Silent Night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light  
radiant beams from Your holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at Your birth, Jesus, Lord, at Your birth.**

**BENEDICTION**

**P: The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony  
with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.**

**C: Amen**

**P: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may  
abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**C: Amen**

**P: The God of all grace + bless you now and forever.**

**C: Amen**

**HYMN Red hymnal #267**

*Joy to the World*

**DISMISSAL**

**P: Christ the Savior is born!  
Go in peace. The Word of God dwells among us.**

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE** *Angels We Have Heard on High*

Arr. Albrecht

*Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted  
using a 'Prayer Request' card from the pew rack.*

### **In Helpful Service**

Pastor	Jaren Summers
Communion Assist	Doug Jacobs
Reader	Debbie Weprin
Greeters	Denise & Lara Jacobs
Ushers	Denise & Lara Jacobs

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**POINSETTIAS** may be picked up after the worship service tonight. All Poinsettias must be picked up no later than services on December 27th and 28th.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES** are available for pick up in the back of the church. They are in alphabetical order and can be taken home today. **Please do not use the envelopes UNTIL the first weekend in January, the 3rd & 4th.** New numbers have been assigned to some of the boxes.

### **MISSION OF THE MONTH: *ELCA GOOD GIFTS***

On the Christmas tree in the lounge area, you will find ornaments that have pictures of animals and other needed items for those in need throughout the world. For example, you may pay for ten chicks for \$10, honeybees for \$20, seeds and gardening tools for \$50, a clinic visit for a child for \$10. You can also donate any amount of money and the Women of Zion can put the money toward a more expensive animal - like a goat for \$50!

Please take an ornament and return it with a check made payable to Women of Zion. Please place your check in the basket on the table in the lounge.

Any questions contact Deb Keppel.

### **THIS WEEK AT ZION**

<b>Thursday, December 25</b>	Office Closed	Merry Christmas
<b>Friday, December 26</b>	Office Closed	
<b>Sunday, December 28</b>	Randall Residence Outreach	

**PLEASE JOIN US** for worship on Saturday evenings at 5:00 p.m.  
or Sunday mornings at 10:00.

Sunday School is offered for adults and children at 9:00 am. (Not 12/28)



## **POINSETTIAS**

Poinsettia's are given to the honor and glory of God by

**Colleen Behnke**

**Carol Friss** in memory of her parents, Valerie & Glenn Smith.

**Susie Gray** in memory of Allen & Lodema Gray.

**Linda Hood** in memory of Edwin Hood and Bonnie Jones.

**Brad & Jamie Kennedy** in memory of Gwen Miller.

**Bob & Deb Keppel** in honor of their grandchildren: Hannah, Marissa, Harrison and Calvin.

**Bob & Deb Keppel** in honor of Chuck & Maggie Powder.

**John & Dianne LeGros** in memory of Heather and Holly LeGros.

**Raenell Poynter** in memory of Tanya Poynter

**Dale & Debbie Rudisill** in memory of their parents and siblings.

**Dale & Ginger Schaefer** to the glory of God.

**Ruth Stollmer** in memory of Robert Stollmer.

**Chuck & Erma Swanson** in memory of their parents and Erma's brother and sister.

**Bob & Kate Tangren** in memory of their parents, Bob, Dorothey, Jerry, Rachel

**Randy & Debbie Turner** in memory of their daughter Leslie.

**Tom & Babs Wesbecher** in honor of their grandchildren and their parents.

**Felicia Young & Wayne Fronczak** in memory of their parents.

### **Staff**

Jaren Summers, *Pastor*; Bill Jones & Susie Gray, *Choir Directors*;  
Lori Sebastian, *Organist*; Jessica Dorn, *Christian Education Director*;  
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