

# Christmas

Welcome! A merry and holy Christmas to one and all! We gather to remember that Christ's 'light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it' (John 1:5). Therefore we join in gratitude for God's immeasurable love revealed in Christ. With grateful hearts we praise God. With warm and friendly hands let us reach out to one another. May the blessings of Christmas be yours!

**Prelude:** Once In Royal David's City

**The Lighting of the Candles -**

Hope, Peace, Joy, Love, and the Christ candle

**Prayer**

**Hymn:** While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks #236

**First Reading:** Luke 2:1-9

1. Christ came to the common man

**Anthem:** Poverty

**Second Reading:** Luke 2:10-14

2. God Spoke First

**Hymn:** Hark! The Herald Angels Sing #240

**Third Reading:** Luke 2:15-16

3: They acted upon the message received

**Anthem:** On To Bethlehem Town

**Fourth Reading:** Luke 2:17-20

4. They told others

**Anthem:** With a Voice of Singing

Spread the light

**Hymn:** Go Tell It On The Mountain #251

**Benediction**