



## Christmas Eve Service

Dec. 24, 2025 4 p.m.

### GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"The King is Here"

Worship Band

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP

(The Chow Family (Jana, Tony, Anson, And Hadley)

*Reader 1: Rejoice, people of God! The light has come into the world. Now we light the Christ candle!*

*(with the first four candles burning, a family member lights the Christ candle)*

*Reader 2: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;*

**People: Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them a light has shined.**

*Reader 1: For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given;*

**People: And the government will be upon his shoulders, and his name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

*Reader 2: Come, let us worship God together!*

HYMN #133 (v 1,3,4)

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

Worship Band

## GATHERING PRAYER

Rev. Erica Rader

Gracious God, we are gathered here on the most beautiful night of the year. We celebrate that on this holy night, you sent your Son, the Lord of the universe, the Savior of us all. He was born to Mary and was wrapped in humble cloths and placed in a manger. He was God in tender human flesh who came to dwell among us.

**We turn our thoughts to that night in Bethlehem and we imagine ourselves among the shepherds, waiting in the darkness together with those who are lost, confused or hurting. And then light shines in the darkness and all the people behold the glory of your Son and together we come to adore him.**

**On this holy night, draw us into the light, beauty and mystery of your love that moved heaven to earth, a love that changed everything forever.**

**A love made flesh through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, who lives and reigns as our Prince of peace together with you and the Holy Spirit, in unity and love forever and ever. AMEN**

PASSING OF THE PEACE Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Christmas Story Skit

\*all children are invited to come forward at this time

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## SCRIPTURE | Isaiah 9:2-7 | Lauren Froman

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING Rev. Erica Rader

OFFERTORY "Light of the World (Sing Hallelujah)" Worship Band

SCRIPTURE LESSON | Luke 2:1-20

“Hearing a New Story”

*As the flame is passed, please tip your unlit candle.*

*one already lit so it will not spill wax.*

111MN #122 Silent Night, Holy Night Worship Band

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Please extinguish your candle now, and put it in the baskets provided as you leave the church.*

### GO IN GOD'S NAME

HYMN #134

"Joy to The World!"

Worship Band

BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

POSTLUDE

Worship Band

We worship each Sunday morning at 10am and look forward to seeing you again. Our website is [wwwpclg.org](http://wwwpclg.org) and you can follow us online on Facebook and YouTube as well. To receive our weekly church email, please email [carlo@pclg.org](mailto:carlo@pclg.org) to get connected.

**Children's Ministry** Welcome Families! Children will be staying in worship for this very special service. They are welcome to come forward during the Children's Message and then they will be excused back to their seats. The nursery is available for young children. We will also be streaming the service in the Social Hall for anyone who needs to get their wiggles out. If you have any questions about our Children's Ministry program please email our Children's Ministry Director, Erin Heath, and [erin.heath@pclg.org](mailto:erin.heath@pclg.org)

### Youth Ministry Info

You are invited to be part of the most elite, ragtag, goofy yet chill groups of people you'd ever want to meet: PCLG's youth groups! Our Middle School and High School students gather weekly on Sunday evenings and resume regular activities on January 5. Sunday School during worship for Middle School students will also resume on January 4. Middle School youth group (we call it SNiFF) meets from 5 to 6:15 p.m. on Sunday evenings.

High School youth group (YG) meets from 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. on Sunday evenings. There are many other things we do, but let's start with Sunday nights. For more information contact Steve Fainer, at [fainer@gmail.com](mailto:fainer@gmail.com).



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