CHRISTMAS EVE 2017

4:00 P.M.

# **CANDLELIGHT WORSHIP**

RINGING OF THE BELL - GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

**PRELUDE –** DUC Brass

**WELCOME** 

CALL TO WORSHIP <Sourcebook of Worship Resources>

Joy to the world,

The Lord is come!

Sing it! Ring it! Say it! Tell the world!

Go, tell it on the mountain,

Over the hills and everywhere.

Go, tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born.

Sing it! Ring it! Say it! Spread the news!

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

So, come, come and worship.

Worship Christ, the newborn king. (RING YOUR BELL)

## LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

The Dinnan Family

**RESPONSE** "Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

Emmanuel, Emmanuel,

His name is called Emmanuel.

God with us, revealed in us,

His name is called Emmanuel.

\*CAROL - "Angels We Have Heard on High"

red hymnal No. 116

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION < Sourcebook of Worship Resources>
God of angels and babies, fill the skies with light and song and fill our hearts with wonder and peace. For on this night a window to heaven opens, and we catch a glimpse of an incredible love which descends as a

child. O, let the angels sing, let the heavens ring, and let our hearts be softened. Let our lives be filled anew with hope and joy. God of the shepherds and stars, open us to the miracle of your love which enters the world and our lives this holy night. Amen.

# \*GLORIA PATRI

**STORY** Why The Chimes Rang Raymond M. Alden

SOLO "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" trad.
Abigail Bishop

THE CHRISTMAS GOSPEL Luke 2:1-20

**SERMON** *Earth Shall Ring* Rev. Terry Martinson

**CAROL** "On This Day Earth Shall Ring"

red hymnal No. 136

**OFFERING/OFFERTORY –** "Carol of the Children" Rutter

\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER

SOLO "O Holy Night"

Adam

Catie Crowell

#### LIGHTING THE CANDLES

For safety, please <u>tilt</u> candle toward the <u>lit</u> candle.

Please extinguish candle as the carol ends.

Please closely monitor children around the use of flame.

\*CAROL "Silent Night" blue hymnal No. 145

## BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE – "March of the Toy Soldiers"** 

Jesse