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GUS RESTREPO, SEXTON

Christmas Eve

Children's Service

December 24, 2011
4 p.m.

Dawn Eggenberger



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CHIMING OF THE HOUR

James Klotz

PRELUDE

Silent Night

Derek Matthews, pianist

INTROIT

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Elizabeth Jern

Kate Jern

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

The Spears Family

* Unison Prayer:

Eternal God, source of all light and life, we give you thanks for the coming of Christ, the light that shines in the darkness, the life of all people. Let us walk in the light of the Lord. Amen.

* HYMN 44

O Little Town of Bethlehem (verse 1)

accompanied by Children's Chimes

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lindsey Howell

Dear God, it is not always easy to be good. It is not always easy to share. It is not always easy to be kind. For when we haven't, we ask forgiveness. Help us to remember Jesus and try to be like him each day. We pray all these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

* PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

GREETINGS

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:1-7

Charlotte Spears

(page 54 in the pew Bible)

HYMN 41

O Come, All Ye Faithful (verse 1)

accompanied by Children's Chimes

(we invite you to stay seated for this hymn)

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:8-20

Lauren Fairleigh

(page 54 in the pew Bible)

CHRISTMAS STORY

Baron Mullis

* HYMN 31

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (verses 1-3)

accompanied by Children's Chimes

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Taylor Morton

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.

OFFERING

The Joy of Christmas

arr. L. Larson

Handbell Choir (James Klotz, director)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Joseph Cochran

* HYMN 40

Joy to the World (verses 1, 2, and 4)

accompanied by Handbell Choir

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Derek Matthews

* GIFT OF STARS

All children are invited to come forward during the postlude to receive their MPC ornament for Christmas 2011.

* congregation standing

Holy Family

Annie Moon Davis, Hap Howell, Caroline Parrish, Sophia Regnault

Children's Chimes

Anthony Cochran, Jeb Davis, Julia Jarratt,

Tristin Loomis, Brooks Nuckols