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# Christmas Eve

## Children's Service

December 24, 2013  
4 p.m.

Dawn Eggenberger



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is off during worship.*

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR** James Klotz

**PRELUDE** *O Little Town of Bethlehem*  
Derek Matthews, pianist

**INTROIT** *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*  
Ava Arepally, Mac Barnette, Anna Nuckols, Isabella Perez

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH** The Ryan Family

**\* Unison Prayer:**

Give us, O God, such love and wonder that with shepherds and Magi, and pilgrims unknown, we may come to the manger to adore the Christ-child, the holy one in our midst. Give us such grace that with our lives and our gifts, we may worship him who is our Savior, Christ the babe, Christ the Lord. Amen.

**\* HYMN 41** *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Ellie Spears

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 have not done these things, 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 Drew Stockstill  
(page 54 in the pew Bible)

**HYMN 25** *Away in a Manger* (verse 1)  
(we invite you to stay seated for this hymn)

**SCRIPTURE READING** Luke 2:8-14 Baron Mullis  
(page 54 in the pew Bible)

**HYMN 60** *Silent Night, Holy Night* (verses 1 and 2)  
(we invite you to stay seated for this hymn)

**SCRIPTURE READING** Luke 2:15-20 Drew Stockstill  
(page 55 in the pew Bible)

**HYMN 53** *What Child Is This* (verse 1)  
(we invite you to stay seated for this hymn)

**CHRISTMAS STORY** Baron Mullis

**\* HYMN 31** *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* (verse 1)

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER** Kate Parrish

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 Little Drummer Boy* arr. Bauer/Peters  
Handbell Choir (Jeff Peters, director)  
Jack Perez, drummer boy; Derek Matthews, piano; Sam Owens, percussion;  
Alex Page, Ellen Stockstill, violin

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\* HYMN 40** *Joy to the World!*

**\* 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 2013.

\* congregation standing

*Hugh Garrison—Baby Jesus* *Kelly Garrison—Mary*  
*Annie Moon Davis—Shepherd* *Brooks Nuckols—Angel Gabriel*  
*William Palmer—Joseph*