

Silent Night, Holy Night*

(Please stand for our closing carol)

Silent night holy night, all is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child; holy infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace; sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night, shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing Alleluia
Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth; Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth

(Please raise your candles)

Silent night, holy night, wondrous star, lend thy light
With the angels, let us sing, alleluia to our King
Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born.

Benediction

The Rev. Peter Larson

Postlude

Carol of the Bells arr. Hayes

Leslie Catchpole

* Please stand if you are able. Please silence all cell phones prior to the beginning of worship. Please do not bring food or beverages in the Sanctuary at any time.

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COMING UP AT LPC



SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAY MORNINGS 9:45 A.M. | EVERYONE WELCOME

ADULT CLASSES | CLASSROOM/OFFICE WING

Faith Weavers

Jim Vandegrift
Room 102

Faith Explorers

Gary Ensing
Room 313

Bible in Life

Jim Garrett
Room 306

Parents Connecting

Christy Johnson
John Untener
Room 307

S.A.L.T Class

Room 309

Vintage

Parents & Teens
Grades 7-12
LPC Student Center

VINTAGE | LPC STUDENT CENTER

Jr High/High School students and Parents are invited to a time of student led devotion and a mix of large and small group discussions. Please join us as we breathe life into something old.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES | UPPER LEVEL

LPC offers children a chance to learn about God's Word every Sunday from 9:45 until 10:45am. Children's classes are organized according to age groups and taught by vibrant, exciting, and knowledgeable Christian teachers.

NURSERY CARE: On Sunday mornings, nursery care is offered for children three and under. The nursery provides a warm, loving, fun and safe environment for children.

PRESCHOOL - 4TH GRADE: These classes journey chronologically through the Bible, learning about God and His great love for them and how what they learn about in class can be applied to their lives.

ENGAGE 5TH & 6TH GRADE: This class delves into deep topics that preteens begin to have as they strive to make their faith their own. Each week, they will discuss a hard to answer faith question and look at what the Bible has to say about it.

NURSERY/FAMILY ROOM

We have a staffed nursery located between the Ark and the Welcome Center. We also have a Family Room with worship audio located next to our Welcome Center.

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LEBANON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

5:00, 6:30 and 8:00 p.m. Candlelight Service

Christmas Eve

Welcome The Rev. Peter Larson

Prelude

O Holy Night Nathaniel & Samuel Sachs 5:00
O Holy Night Sanctuary Choir 6:30
For Unto Us A Child is Born Leslie Catchpole 8:00

Call to Worship* The Rev. Peter Larson

Scripture

Leader: He was born of a woman
People: So we could be born of God.

Leader: He came down to earth

People: To lift us up to heaven.

Leader: He became poor

People: So we might inherit his riches.

Leader: He suffered rejection

People: So that we might be his friends.

Leader: He died on a cross

People: So we might have eternal life.

Leader: He was buried in darkness

People: To bring us light.

Leader: He took the sins of the world upon himself

People: So we might be forgiven.

Leader: Joy to the world!

All: The LORD is come!

Hymn*

O Come All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful. Joyful and triumphant,

O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.

Come and behold him, born the King of angels;

O come, let us adore him. O come, let us adore him.

O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation,

O sing all ye citizens of heaven above

Glory to God, all glory in the highest.

O come, let us adore him. O come, let us adore him.

O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning;

Jesus to Thee be all glory giv'n.

Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing

O come, let us adore him. O come, let us adore him.

O come, let us adore him. Christ The Lord.

Lighting the Advent Candle
The Terrell Family 5:00
The Dalzelle Family 6:30
The Catchpole Family 8:00

Prayer of Praise The Rev. Stephanie Poblenz

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for sending your one and only Son to save us. We thank you that you entered our world as no one expected: as a little child. We praise you, that you came as no one imagined: in a lowly stable. With the shepherds, we bow at the mystery of your birth. With the wise men, we follow the light of Your star. But Lord Jesus, that you were born in Bethlehem long ago is not enough. You must be born, also, in our hearts. Give us, we pray, the gift of faith. Save us, we pray, from sin and death. Fill us, we pray, with your peace. Purify our hearts, that they may be worthy to become your dwelling place. In our busy and distracted lives, may we never fail to make room for you. By your Holy Spirit, help us to love and serve you always. King of Kings and Lord of Lords, come reign and rule in our hearts. Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us we pray! In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

First Scripture Reading Luci Shehane 5:00
Matthew 2:1-12 Nina Dorsch 6:30
Rick Oliver 8:00

Presentation of Our Gifts and Offerings The Rev. Peter Larson

Offertory
In the Bleak Midwinter Sanctuary Choir 5:00 & 6:30
Make Room Men's Ensemble 8:00

Second Scripture Reading
Luke 2:1-20

Sermon The Rev. Peter Larson
A King Incognito

Hymn*
Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;

Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"

Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies;

With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ, by highest heaven adored; Christ the everlasting Lord;

Late in time, behold Him come, offspring of a virgin's womb.

Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail th'incarnate Deity,

Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel.

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace! hail the Sun of Righteousness!

Light and life to all He brings, risen with healing in His wings.

Mild He lays His glory by, born that man no more may die.

Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

The Apostles' Creed Rick McNeely 5:00
Andrew Johnson 6:30
The Rev. Stephanie Poblenz 8:00

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sacrament of Holy Communion (8:00 only)

All are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Upon receiving the bread and cup, please wait before partaking, so that we may do so together.

Carol Medley (Candles will be lit during the first verse)

Away In a Manger

Away in a manger no crib for a bed;

The little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head.

The stars in the sky looked down where He lay;

The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing the poor baby wakes;

But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes.

I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky;

And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay;

Close by me forever and love me I pray.

Bless all The dear children in Thy tender care;

And take us to heaven to live with Thee there.

O, Little Town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!

Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.

Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light;

The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

How silently, how silently, the wondrous Gift is given;

So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His heaven.

No ear may hear His coming, but in this world of sin,

Where meek souls will receive Him still, the dear Christ enters in.

O, holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;

Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today.

We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;

O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!