



## *Christmas Eve Candle Light Worship Service*

6:00 pm, December 24, 2024

Littlerock Community Church

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A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians (ECO)

*“For to us a child is born, to us a son given, and the government shall be upon his shoulder. His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.” Isaiah 9:6*

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Welcome

Lighting of the Advent Candle

**Unison Prayer:** Almighty God, you come to us as a tiny, fragile baby; yet we know that you are God and you are with us. May the flame of this Christ candle remind us that you are the light of the world and that if we follow you; we will never walk in darkness, but will have the true light of life. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray, Amen

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Listen to the good news of Christmas, as told by Luke.

**People: Mary gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.**

Leader: Jesus’ birth is “good news of great joy for all the people: for unto us was born that day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord.”

**People: With the angel and a multitude of heaven, we want to join the praise of God for his great gift to the world.**

**All: “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!”**

Leader: Let us continue our praise of God for his gift of the baby of Bethlehem by standing and singing...

Carol “O Come, All Ye Faithful” (Words on Screen)

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Brothers and sisters in Christ, Hear and believe in the Good News of the Gospel, in the name of Jesus Christ, the one who saves us from our sins, we are forgiven. Amen.

Choir

“It was a Starry Night”

Old Testament Lesson #1 Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7 Page 1072

Old Testament Lesson #2 Isaiah 11: 1-10 Page 1076

Choir:

“By Candlelight”

Kamya Dawson-King

“O Holy Night”

New Testament Lesson #3 Luke 1:26-38 Page 1588

New Testament Lesson #4 Luke 2: 1-20 Page 1590

Kristen and Michelle Parsons

"Halleluja (Light Has Come)"

God's Tithes And Our Offerings

The Lord's Prayer

Jerry Boulett

Choir

“This is Love”

\*Closing Carol

“Silent Night” See insert

**\*Candle lighting:** We will end our evening of worship in candlelight by singing “Silent Night.” We will begin the lighting of the candles at the front of the church. Silent Night traditionally, when it was written, was played on a nylon string guitar. Tonight one of our worship leaders will lead us in the singing of “Silent Night,” as it was done on Christmas Eve in 1818, in a small Austrian Village, by the Oberndorf, Choir. When the song is over, **we will leave in quiet with our candles lit.** Thank you for joining us for worship on this night of celebration of the birth of Christ. *(Please assist our younger children with the lighting of their candles)*

*\*Stand if you are able. If you are a first-time guest, please fill out the yellow visitor form in the pew. Please, silence your cell phones during worship service.*

### **A Very Merry Christmas to all!**

**Welcome to our Christmas Eve Candle Light Service.** We are pleased to have you with us. If you are a first time guest, we hope and pray that you will feel at home. Please join us again next Sunday for Worship as well as our weekly opportunities for fellowship & Christian education.

Announcements and Opportunities:

- Monday - Friday Office open 9:30am-1:30pm. Close Christmas Day
- Sunday School 9:30am.
- Sunday Worship 10:30am. Followed by Coffee/Tea Fellowship
- WOW Wednesdays 5 - 6:30 p.m., K-J-HS. (Resumes January TBA.)
- Women's Bible Study Thursday at 3:30p.m. (Resumes January TBA)
- Choir Practice Thursdays 5:30pm-6:30pm (Resumes January TBA)
- Saturday Morning Prayer 9:30am-10:30am.