

Northshore Unitarian Universalist Church

**December 24, 2020 via Zoom 6 PM
Christmas Eve Candle-lighting Service**

Music for Gathering	<i>Coventry Carol</i> 16 th century English carol, arr. Sandra Eithun	Raleigh Ringers
Welcome	by Kendyl Gibbons (adapted)	Terri Hansen
Opening Words	<i>The Moment of Magic</i> Alice Beringer, Abby Ruggles, Jillian Steeves Victoria Safford (adapted)	
Chalice Lighting		
Carol	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i> (verses 1 & 3) John Francis Wade	Piano, Judy Putnam
Advent Wreath Lighting	inspired by Howard Thurman	
Video	<i>The Virus That Stole Christmas</i> , Rev. Laura Thompson	
Reading	from Luke 2:1-19	Ava Beringer
Carol	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i> , (verses 1 & 2) French Trad.	Singing Group
Reading	<i>The Risk of Birth</i> by Madeline L'Engle	
Video	<i>Every Night a Holy Night</i> by Wendy Luella Perkins	
Carol	<i>The First Nowell</i> , English Carol (verses 1 & 2)	Singing Group
Meditation	<i>Prayer for Christmas Eve with Hymns</i> Lisa Doege (adapted)	Piano, Judy Putnam
Reflection		Rev. Carol Strecker
Offering Words	by Howard Thurman	
Offertory Music	<i>Imagine</i> , by John Lennon	Leslie Vincent
Candle Lighting Ceremony		
Reading	<i>the Holy Dwells in Each of us</i> , Renee Ruchotzke	

Video Members & Friends Passing the Light Produced by Gary Nelson

Carol *Silent Night, Holy Night* Judy Putnam and Helen Brandt

Closing Words *The Work of Christmas*, Howard Thurman

Postlude *Christmas Carols*, arr. David Lanz Piano, Judy Putnam

Song Lyrics

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,
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above:
Glory to God in the highest;
O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

Angels We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains.

Gloria in excelsis Deo. (rpt)

Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why these songs of happy cheer?
What great brightness did you see? What glad tidings did you hear?

Gloria in excelsis Deo (rpt)

The First Nowell

The first Nowell the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds
in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night

that was so deep.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star shining in the East, beyond them far.
And to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day
and night.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell Nowell, Born is the King of Israel.

Silent Night

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,"
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night holy night, child of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.