Wednesday, December 24, 2024 ORDER OF WORSHIP 7:00 PM

### **Mr. Timothy Flynn \* Pastor**

#### Carolyn Lansing \* Organist & Choir Director

(\*People Stand If Able)

Please mute your cell phones

**PRELUDE** (*Time for quiet reflection & meditation*)

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

INTROIT: Mary Did You Know?

Mark Lowrey and Buddy Greene

### COME, LET US WORSHIP

# CALL TO WORSHIP

### Psalm 97:9-12

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(with Congregational Response)

For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

# The LORD loves those who hate evil; he guards the lives of his faithful; he rescues them from the hand of the wicked.

Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart. **Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!** 

### SALUTATION

### Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds...... Grace Mercy and Peace be with you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

### \*Hymn #145 "Oh Come All Ye Faithful"

### **Responsive Reading:**

#### Luke 2:1-14

"In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered.

# This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria.

All went to their own towns to be registered.

Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David.

He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child.

# While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child.

And she 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.

# In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.

Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

# But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see--I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people:

to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord.

# This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

# "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

Special Music: Still, Still, Still

Preformed By: Cael Sullivan & Benjamin Lansing

\*HYMN #136 "The First Noel"

\*OFFERING \*OFFERTORY \*DOXOLOGY #625 (found in the back of the hymnal) \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

#### Advent Candles

### THE WORD OF GOD

Choir - Come All Ye Faithful, Sing By: Dale Peterson

Meditation: "Do We Answer the Knock?"

Choir - Bethlehem Town By: Robert C. Clatterbuck

\*Hymn #157– "Away In A Manger"

\*\*Congregation will move to the perimeter of the room with their candles. The fire will be passed first to the choir, then to the congregation.\*\*

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\*Hymn #147 "Silent Night" \*Hymn #125 "Joy To the World"

# Karly StGelais and the Children's Choir – Happy Birthday Jesus

By: Carol Cymbala

## DEPARTING TO SERVE

#### \*BENEDICTION \*POSTLUDE

#### **AMITY REFORMED CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT**

"Our mission is to grow into the people God created us to be in Jesus Christ through Worship, Service and Fellowship within our congregation and our community."