

Order of Worship
December 19, 2021
Advent IV – Music Sunday “Celebrate the Day!”
Music is a gift from God. Sharing music is our gift back to God.

Prelude *Carol-Prelude* – Paul Manz
Infant Holy, Infant Lowly
Go Tell it on the Mountain

Lighting of the Advent Candle Jan Montgomery and Jeanne Partida

Prayer of Adoration



*Carol Medley

It's Christmas
HolyGrounds Praise Band and Congregation

– Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash

Call to Confession

Robert Harding

Prayer of Confession

God of love, you show us over and over again how much you love us. You guide us by your love for us. But we do not always listen to your messages or your messengers. We fail to love you with all our heart and soul and mind and strength. We fail to love our neighbors. We resist loving our enemies.

Forgive us, Lord God! Teach us to love others as you have loved us ~ without reluctance of conditions, but with pure and generous hearts. We pray in the name of the one who embodied love, Jesus Christ our Lord; Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

“Celebrate the Day!”

Reading John 1:14-18

He Is Born
First Ringers

– Jason Krug

Children’s Sermon

Chris McKee

Silent Night
Hearts, Hands, and Voices

– Franz Gruber



*Carol

O Come, All Ye Faithful

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Reading

Matthew 2:10-11

Candlelight Carol
Sanctuary Choir & One Voice

– John Rutter

Reading

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

I Celebrate the Day
HolyGrounds Praise Band

– Matthew Thiessen

Reading

John 3:16-19

Sing We Noel
Sanctuary Choir; Bea Towe, Pianist

– Gordon Young

Reading

Isaiah 40:3-5

Fanfare for Christmas
Dei Gloriam Handbell Choir

– Anna Laura Page

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Offering

Announcements



*Doxology

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

*Prayer of Dedication



*Carol

Angels We Have Heard on High
HolyGrounds Praise Band and Congregation

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*Benediction

Postlude

Toccata on "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

– Diane Bish

*Please rise in body or spirit.

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