

**PRELUDE** *Away in a Manger* arr. Anna Laura Page  
*The Ridge Road Ringers*  
 Janet Carter, Director

**INVOCATION** Trey Davis

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *Once Upon* Hudson/Stiff

**RESPONSIVE READING** *John 1* Trey Davis

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,  
 and the Word was God.

**He was with God in the beginning.**

Oh, come, let us adore Him.

**Christ the Lord!**

The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.

**He was in the world, and though the world was made through him,  
 the world did not recognize him.**

Oh, come, let us adore Him,

**Christ the Lord!**

He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him.

**Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name,  
 he gave the right to become children of God.**

Oh, come, let us adore Him,

**Christ the Lord!**

**\*HYMN 199** *O Come, All Ye Faithful* ADESTE FIDELES  
 (Verses 1 & 2)

**SCRIPTURE READING** *Luke 2:1-20* Marissa Wallace  
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**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE** *The Christ Candle* George & Tonya Kangkolo

**Responsive Litany:**

The season for watching and waiting is over. The people who walked in darkness  
 have seen a great light.

**This is the light of the world, and the darkness cannot extinguish it.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *My Lord Has Come* Will Todd  
 Amy Kemp, Soloist

**MESSAGE** Lindsey Williams

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *Once In Royal David's City* arr. Anna Laura Page  
*The Ridge Road Ringers*

**COMMUNION** Trey Davis

**\*CAROLS AND CANDLELIGHT** *Angels We Have Heard on High*  
*Joy to the World*  
*Silent Night*

**\*PASTORAL BEDICTION** Trey Davis

**POSTLUDE** *Gentle Mary Laid Her Child* TEMPUS ADEST FLORIDUM

*\*please stand as you are able*



*May all who have come know that we are thankful for the gift of your presence. In this joint  
 worship service of Ridge Road Baptist Church and Midtown Community Church we worship  
 as one family in Christ. May you feel like a part of this family as well.*

*If you are a first time guest we invite you to join us again on Sunday mornings.  
 Information about both churches can be found in the pew racks.*



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