

Welcome to our Service of Worship

PRELUDE/LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

Announcements

Lighting the Advent Candle/Candle Song

Contemporary Song

Call To Worship:

L: God's Spirit has led us here.

P: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is PEACE.

L: God's Spirit has led us here.

P: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is HOPE.

L: God's Spirit has led us here.

P: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is JOY.

L: God's Spirit has led us here.

P: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is LOVE.

Leader: There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in the place,

A: And we know that it's the Spirit of the Lord!

***Hymn: 220** Angels from the Realms of Glory

Opening Prayer in Unison

Precious Savior, breathlessly we wait for your Coming.

The house has been made ready. The tree is trimmed with beautiful lights and sentimental ornaments.

Already there are presents under the tree. The guests have been invited. All of the ingredients for a delightful, sumptuous meal have been purchased. Our hearts are filled to overflowing with love for you and for one another. Come into our waiting hearts that we may celebrate the miraculous day of your birth. Welcome, Lord Jesus, for it is in your name, we pray. Amen.

Scripture Lesson: Luke 2:1-15

Children's message

JOYS, CONCERNS and PRAYER REQUEST

LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY:

***DOXOLOGY #95**

***Prayer**

***Hymn: 240** Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Sermon Scripture: Matthew 1:18

Sermon Title: Joy drives out fear

***Hymn: 234** O Come, All Ye Faithful

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATION RESPONSE #227 vs 4**

Phelps Chapel United Methodist Church

December 24, 2023

9:00 A.M.