

The Night of the Nativity
Christmas Eve 2022 8pm - Lessons and Carols
St. Paul's United Church Edmonton

Music to draw us in Tyson Kerr, piano & organ; Toscha Turner, double bass

Placing the Christ candle and Welcome

O Come, All Ye Faithful verses 1 Latin, 2,6,7 ADESTE FIDELES **VU 60**

Welcome and land acknowledgment

Hope Shines as the Solitary Star instrumental

John 1:1-5, 14a Alexander Nichols

Candelabra candle lighting

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Hope Shines MACLEAN/TISSANDIER ARR. OBERHOLTZER
Jennifer McKercher-Rott and Tyson Kerr

Luke 1:26-38 Darren Nichols

Candle lighting

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear CAROL **VU 44**

Prayer please see over

Luke 1:39-45; 46-55 Jennifer McKercher-Rott

Candle lighting

Luke 2:1-7 Joseph Ntale

Candle lighting

Away in a Manger CRADLE SONG **VU 69**

Luke 2:8-14

Candle lighting

Angels We Have Heard on High GLORIA **VU 38**

Luke 2:15-20

Candle lighting

Called Home Rev. Dr. Catherine Faith MacLean

O Little Town of Bethlehem ST LOUIS **VU 64**

Our Offering for God's Work in the World Wexford Carol TRAD IRISH

Isaiah 9:2,6-7 Daniel Greenways

Candle lighting

Silent Night STILLE NACHT **VU 67**

Prayer and the Prayer Jesus taught

Joy to the World ANTIOCH **VU 59**

Benediction

Music to see us out

Midnight clear, Holy One, angel song:
Peace on Earth.

**Solemn stillness, Holy One, echoes of angel song:
Peace through the Earth.**

The ever-circling years, Holy One,
Spiraling toward the Promise.

**This pause in the year, Holy One,
Listening for the Promise.**

As we approach the familiar story

As we hear the time-honoured Nativity

Bless our own incarnate lives

Bless us through our own joys and worries - and grace.

In a moment of quiet, bless our prayers.

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God bless us to be daring:

to listen to the world,

to hear the song of angels,

to heed the story of the manger.

God bless us to be kind:

to hold your light aloft,

to love one another no matter what,

to bring peace and compassion to the world.

Holy One, we wait for your Word,

relying on your faithfulness,

joyful in your presence,

Merry in this Christmas. Amen.