



Covenant CRC Candlelight Service

December 16, 2018

* - Indicates to stand, if able, LUYH=*Lift Up Your Hearts*

We Gather in the Presence of God

Prelude

Anna Blauw

Welcome

*Opening Hymn: "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

LUYH 88

*God Greet Us and We Greet One Another

The Advent Candle Lighting

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.
Those who lived in a land of deep darkness – on them has light shined.
A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.
And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest on him.
His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

Solo: "O Day of Peace"

LUYH 487

A Silent Night

The Reading of Luke 2:1-7

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Meditation

Pastor Joel Kok

Choral Anthem: "Still, Still, Still"

Luboff

Song: "Away in a Manger"

LUYH 86

A Holy Night

The Reading of Luke 2:8-14

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Meditation

Pastor Joel Kok

*The Song of the Angels: "Angels We Have Heard on High"

LUYH 82:1,2

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

LUYH 80:1,2

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

LUYH 82:3

Choral Anthem: "Gloria in Excelsis"

Vivaldi

A Worshiping Night

The Reading of Luke 2:15-20

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Meditation

Pastor Joel Kok

Choral Anthem: "My Lord Has Come"

Todd

Offering for Bible League International

Today more than 80 countries have received Bibles, New Testaments, Scripture portions, and basic Bible study materials from the Bible League. Bible League offices have also been established and staffed in more than 40 countries. The ministry of the Bible League is shared by people around the world—children and adults, rich and poor, long-time believers and brand-new Christians—who regularly donate time and money so that God's Word can continue to bring people into fellowship with Christ and His Church.

Offertory Song: "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

LUYH 79

The Lighting of the Candles

After the deacons walk forward with the offering, please rise and form a circle around the sanctuary for the lighting of the candles. Bring your bulletins with you if you can for the singing of "Silent Night." As we light the candles, please tip your unlit candle into the lit candle next to you to avoid dripping wax on the floor.

*Song: "Peace, Peace" and "Silent Night"

LUYH 85:1-3

1. Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright
'round yon virgin mother and child! Holy infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.
2. Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight.
Glories stream from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing: "Alleluia!
Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born!"
3. Silent night! Holy night! Son of God, love's pure light,
radiant beams from thy holy face with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth! Jesus Lord, at thy birth!

*Benediction