

**REDMOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
DECEMBER 24, 2018 5:00 PM
FAMILY SERVICE**

GO IN PEACE AND JOY

- Seeking to be Faithful Followers of Jesus Christ in the 21st Century -

Prelude *Christmas Medley*

Welcome Pastor Austin

The Advent Wreath: The Christ Candle

Reading ~ The Ahnert family: Seth, Jessica and Ellis

Unison Prayer

Glory to God in the Highest! *Alleluia! Amen!*

***Open Carols** *O Come, All Ye Faithful / We Adore You*
(lyrics in bulletin insert)

THE STORY OF CHRIST'S BIRTH

The Prophet Proclaims the Coming Savior **Isaiah 9:2-7**

Song of Praise *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear*

***The Gospel Proclaims the Birth of the Savior** **Luke 2:1-7**

Song of Praise *Away in a Manger / It's Christmas*

***The Angels Bring Good News** **Luke 2:8-14**

Song of Praise *Mary's Boy Child*

Prayers of the People

***The Shepherds Witness to the Baby's Birth** **Luke 2:15-20**

The Offering of Our Gifts

Offertory *Welcome To Our World* Rice

Christmas Meditation Pastor Austin

Song of Response *I Celebrate the Day* (Theissen) by Bill & Taylor Phillips Matheus

The Lighting of our Candles

Pastor Austin will light his candle from the Christ candle, and then will light the candles of those sitting on the center aisle. Please carefully pass "the light of Christ down your row.

(The sanctuary lights are dimmed)

Silent Night Story

Bill Phillips

***Carol** *Silent Night, Holy Night*

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.

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven a far, Heavenly hosts sing: "Alleluia:
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born."

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.

Silent night, holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

***Sharing the Joy of Christmas**

May the peace and joy of Christ be with you.
And Also With You.

***Closing Carol** *Joy to the World!*

***The Benediction**

***Postlude**

***Congregation stands.** If you prefer, please feel free to remain seated
Infant/toddler care is available in the Christian Education building during the evening service.

LEADERS IN TONIGHT'S WORSHIP

Worship Leaders: Pastor Austin Ashenbrenner

Ushers: Dan and JoAnna Birmingham

Advent Candle lighters: The Ahnert family: Seth, Jessica and Ellis

Candle Information

Set your candle under your chair until needed. If supervising or assisting a child, please do not light your own. Tilt unlit candle to lit candle to light; hold lit candles upright. Blow out candle if wax is running below paper shield. If you see something catch fire, act immediately. Be especially aware of hair and coats.

Offerings Received Tonight

The offerings go to *Hopelink*

LEADERS IN NEXT SUNDAY'S 10 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

Worship Leaders: Carole Rich and Pastor Austin Ashenbrenner

Ushers: Cindy Pearson and

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