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Sunday, December 24, 10:00am
Theme: Kids, Carols, and Chaos

† Indicates stand as you are able
Bold indicates participation by the people

MV = More Voices
VU = Voices United

We Gather With

PRELUDE: *Stephanie Orr – Christmas Medley*

WELCOME to our Livestream Worship Service

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TREATY 7 LAND

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

Godly Play: Advent

INTROIT: *Jesus Came Bringing Us Hope*

MV#33

CALL TO WORSHIP: **(Responsive)**

Hush...Can you hear it?

Hear what?

A mother's joy.

Hush...Can you hear it?

Hear what?

A father's cry.

Hush...Can you hear it?

We hear the beat of our hearts.

We hear the movements of those around.

We hear the murmurs of wonder.

We hear the joy of our children.

Then you do hear it?

Hear what?

Christmas!

Emmanuel!

God with us!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

So, people of God....

So, children of the Spirit....

So, disciples of the Christ....

On this night of all nights...come!

We come to worship our God. Alleluia!

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OPENING PRAYER: *(Repeat-After-Me)*

VIDEO: *An Unexpected Christmas – by St. Pauls Arts and Media*

INTERACTIVE NARRATION OF THE CHRISTMAS STORY:

Mary Is Visited by the Angel

✠HYMN: *O Come, All Ye Faithful (v.1)*

VU#60

Joseph Visited by Angel

Mary and Joseph Travelling to Bethlehem

✠HYMN: *O Little Town of Bethlehem (v.1)*

VU#64

Mary and Joseph in Stable

✠HYMN: *Away in a Manger*

VU#69

Mary and Joseph and animals (not sheep) make their way to the manger

Angels Appearing to Shepherds

✠HYMN: *Angels We Have Heard on High (v.1)*

VU#38

Angels make their way to the manger

Shepherds Visiting Manger

✠HYMN: *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

VU#43

Shepherds make their way to the manger

Wise Men

†HYMN: We Three Kings
Wise Men go to the manger

INVITATION TO OPEN HANDS

OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN HANDS with our Offerings & Prayers.
Tonight, we are pleased to share 50% of the loose offerings with Awo Taan Healing Lodge.

†OFFERTORY: *Santa Claus Is Coming to Town*

†OFFERTORY PRAYER: *(Repeat-After-Me)*

PASTORAL PRAYERS (Leader) & PRAYER OF JESUS (Unison)

LIGHT CANDLES AND CRACK GLOW STICKS

COMMISSIONING and BENEDECTION: ***(Responsive)***

Let the hope that was born in a stable this night be a sign that God can change the world through one small light.

May the God of all grace us once again with wonder.

May the spirit of love fill our hearts to overflowing.

May Christ's spirit of peace be upon everyone, everywhere.

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†HYMN: *Silent Night, Holy Night*

VU#67

BLESSING: (Leader)

POSTLUDE

We give great thanks to all who participated in making today's worship service a reality.