LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF LOVE

NewSong Service: The Boll Family:
Bobby, Laura, Grace, Anna, Luke, Marie

Cornerstone Service: Ray and Gretchen Klingensmith

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Today's flowers are provided by
Claudia Watson
Isaiah 40:31
In memory of my beloved husband

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Love

December 23, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Advent

"The Christmas Shepherd"

NewSong

RESPONSIVE LITANY:

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Songs of Praise

Greetings

Offertory
"Offering"
"Our fathers' God, to Thee…"

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

The Reading of the Word Micah 5: 2-5, pg. 259
Luke 1: 39-45, pg. 856

Sermon *"The Christmas Shepherd"* *Pastor Matt Stillman*

Affirmation of Faith: Apostle's Creed *Next page*

Song of Dedication

Benediction

Music presented bythe Trinity Christian Fellowship Praise Team:
Terri Russell, Christian Alexander, Marjory Leidy, Linda-Lea Goodall
Carol Pizzi, Sarah Nelson, Kimberly Dryden, Josh Dryden, Elly Moses

WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY SERVICES, CLASSES AND EVENTS:
8:00 am – ***Day Break*** – Anglican Eucharistic Service (1928 Prayer Book)
9:00 am – ***NewSong*** – Casual Service, serving communion on the 1st Sunday of the month.
10:30 am – ***Cornerstone*** – Traditional Service, serving communion on the 1st Sunday of the month.
9:00 am – Children's Church – Kindergarten and younger
9:00 am – Adult Sunday School
10:30 am – Adult Sunday School
10:30 am – Children's Sunday School – First grade and older
10:30 am – Children's Church – Kindergarten and younger
10:00 am – Fellowship
5:30 pm – Youth Group Book Club resumes in January

MONDAY:
8:30 am – Mother's Morning Out resumes January 7
9:00 am – Men's Prayer Group resumes January 7
6:00 pm – Women's Bible Study resumes January 7
6:00 pm – Men's Bible Study resumes January 7

TUESDAY:
9:00 am – Mother's Morning Out resumes January 8
2:00 pm – Pastor Matt's "Conversations with the Pastor" resumes January 8
3:00 pm – Pastor Prayer Group resumes January 8
6:00 pm – 1st and 3rd Tuesdays American Heritage Girls *and* Trail Life Boys resume January 8, 2019

WEDNESDAY:
8:30 am – Mother's Morning Out resumes January 9
6:00 pm – Trinity Family Fellowship: Fun, Fellowship, Dessert January 2

THURSDAY:
9:00 am – Mother's Morning Out resumes January 3
10:00 am – Women's Bible Study
5:00 pm – Adult Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm – Praise Team Rehearsal – NewSong

FRIDAY: Military Ministry
8:30 am – Mother's Morning Out resumes January 4

Church Office will be closed Monday, December 24 through Wednesday, December 26
Pick up your monthly prayer calendar, along with other information, from the wall display next to the church office.

THE PSALTER READING

Psalm 80

(Responsively)

LEADER: Restore us, O God;
let your face shine, that we may be saved!

People: ***O Lord God of hosts,***
how long will you be angry
with your people's prayers?

LEADER: You have fed them with the bread of tears
and given them tears to drink in full measure.

People: ***You make us an object of contention for our neighbors,***
and our enemies laugh among themselves.

LEADER: Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved!

People: ***But let your hand be on the man of your right hand,***
the son of man whom you have made
strong for yourself!

LEADER: Then we shall not turn back from you;
give us life, and we will call upon your name!

People: ***Restore us, O Lord God of hosts!***
Let your face shine, that we may be saved!

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Sermon Notes

CORNERSTONE

PRELUDE *Traditional Sicilian Carol* arr. J. Purifoy

WORDS OF WELCOME Rev. Ellis Brooks

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Love's Pure Light* Choir

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*** HYMN OF PRAISE** *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

*** APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence, He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the Communion of saints, the Forgiveness of sins, the Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen.

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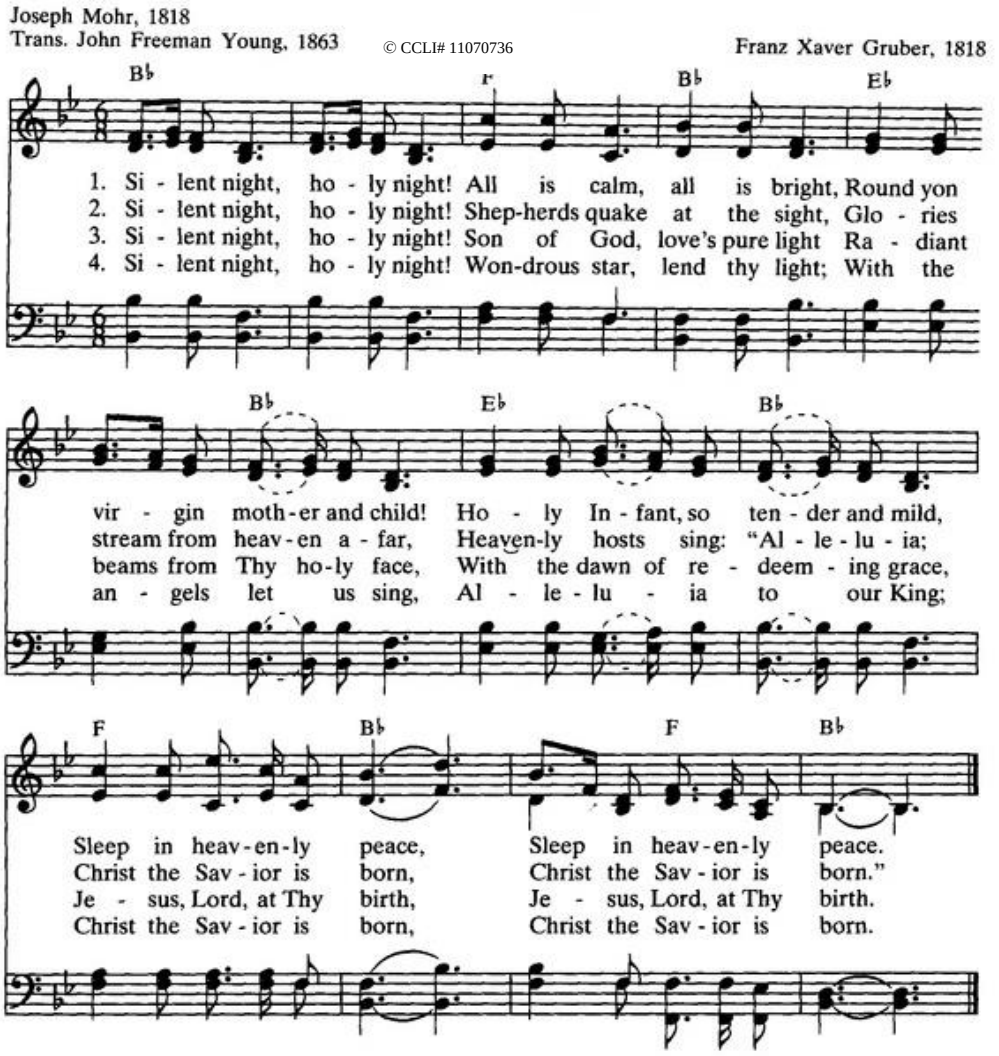
CHORAL MESSAGE *Three French Carols* arr. Stan Pethel

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Ellis

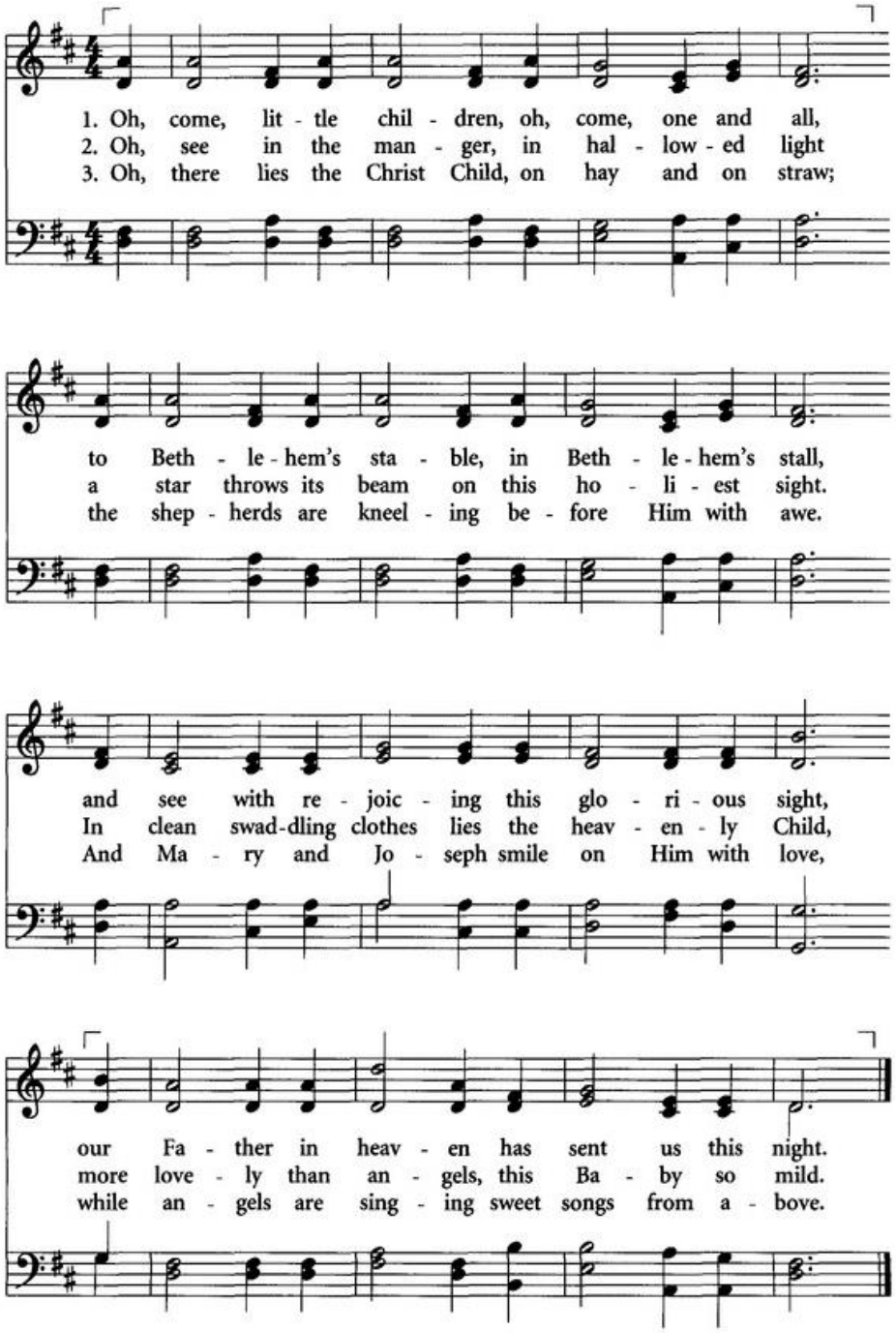
THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY *Still, Still, Still* arr. Mark Hayes

Silent Night



Oh, Come, Little Children



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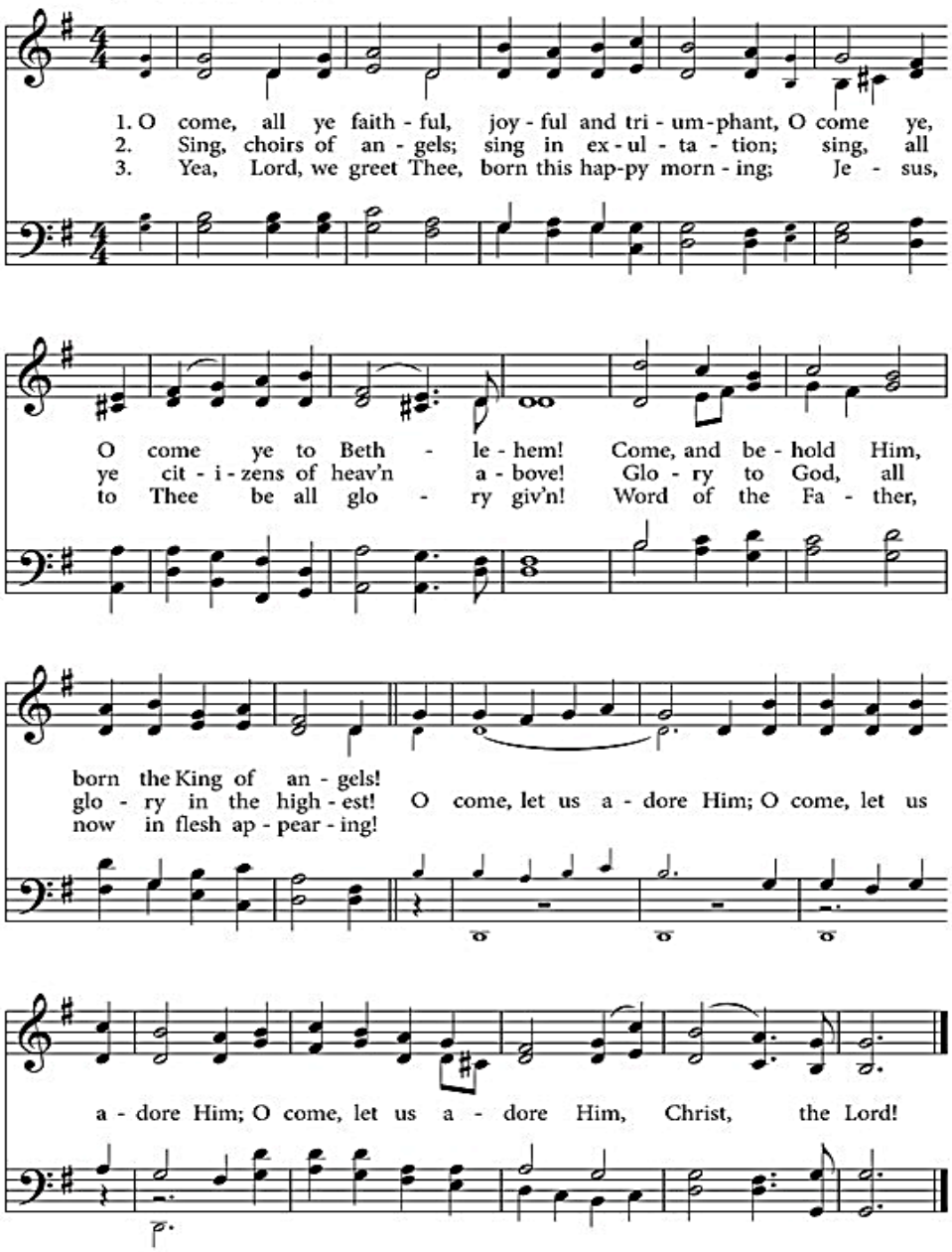

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DOXOLOGY – PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Our fathers' God to Thee, Author of liberty, to Thee we sing:
Long may our land be bright, with freedom's holy light,
Protect us by Thy might, great God, our King.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** *Oh, Come, Little Children*

SERMON "*The Christmas Shepherd"* Pastor Matt Stillman

***HYMN OF REFLECTION** *Silent Night*

***BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE:**

May the grace of Christ our Savior,
And the love of God our Father,
And the fellowship of the Spirit be with us.
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And the love of God our Father,
And the fellowship of the Spirit be with us.
Forever and ever, forevermore. Amen.

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* Congregation Stands

Pianist:	Sandy Tremblay
Reader:	Lillie Townsend
Greeters:	John and Noel Roberts
Visitors' Table:	Jacqueline Wade
Prayer Partners:	Barry and Lillie Townsend
Ushers:	Dick Gesswein – Bulletins & Collection Renate Gesswein – Bulletins & Collection Charlie Yow – Collection Kathleen Scurti – Collection

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