Prelude
“Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming” arr. Cathy DeRousse
Amy Bender, organist

Welcome and Announcements
Leah Nash, Liturgist

Call to Worship
Blessed be God’s name, forever!
God reveals deep and mysterious things.
Bringing light into darkness,
Hope into despair,
Life into brokenness.
Blessed be God’s name, forever!

Lighting of the Advent Wreath
Hymn 204 “Emmanuel, Emmanuel”
Reading – The Babcock Family

Hymn 246 “Joy to the World” Laurie Babcock, Cantor

Offertory “A Light Will Shine!” Lloyd Larson
Chancel Choir; recorded December 2, 2018

Doxology
UMH 94
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Video from our Christmas Play Zoom Call Christmas

“Joseph Meets the Angel”
performed by Ian Gaspersic, Taylor Wilson

Scripture

Matthew 1:18-25

Message

Home for Christmas: Truth

Rev. Sondra Snode

Hymn 251

“Go Tell It On the Mountain”

Benediction

Sung Benediction Response

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.

Postlude

“God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen”

Wilbur Held

Altar flowers are presented by Marye Etta Fairchild Reed in loving memory of granddaughter Holly Flynn’s birthday.

If you would like to present flowers in memory of loved ones, to celebrate an anniversary, or offer them to the Glory of God, please contact Kathy Fellows at 440-255-5899.

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