

# **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

**December 29, 2019** 

Worship 9:30am

Fellowship Time 10:30

# GATHERING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

**PRELUDE** 

Karla Leuenberg and Tresa Hohmann, pianists

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Leroy Seat, worship leader

\*HYMN #197

Angels we have heard on high

SCRIPTURE John 1:1-14

### BRINGING THE LIGHT AMONG US

INTRODUCTION Lonnie Buerge

Readings: **Hope**, Day 1, Day 6

Hymn #189 To us a child of hope is born

Readings: **Peace**, Day 11, Day 13

Hymn #195 st. 1, 2 and 5

It came upon a midnight clear

Readings: Joy, Day 15, Day 17, Day 18

Hymn #211 st. 1 and 3 Lo, how a rose

Reading: Love, Day 22

Hymn #28 SS Holy child within the manger

Reading: Christmas

\*Hymn #318 Joy to the World

## RESPONDING AND SHARING THE LIGHT

### **SHARING JOY**

We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time. One way we get to know one another is by signing the friendship registers. Once the register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

## **SHARING CONCERNS**

#### PRAYING TOGETHER

Slips of paper are available in the pew racks for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl table at the front of the sanctuary.

#### **OFFERING**

#### MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you did not have time to submit a written announcement, or if something new needs highlighting, please hand your written announcement to the worship leader or pastor <u>before</u> the worship service.

#### BRINGING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN #201

Hark the herald angels sing

#### \*SENDING FORTH PRAYER

Please remain standing for the postlude.

#### \*POSTLUDE

\*You may stand.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*. Songs designated "SS" are in the purple *Sing the Story* hymnal. As we sing, please use language that makes worship most meaningful, enriching and inclusive.

The light sculpture at the front of the sanctuary was created by Arlie Regier and his son Paul. We have cherished the long tradition of featuring this gift during Advent and Christmas.



Here is a place for worship reflections. What are you sensing about God in the here and now? What words, images or questions do you want to take with you into this new week?

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