Rainbow Mennonite Church

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TREASURING THE INCARNATION

DECEMBER 28, 2014

PRELUDE Karen Goering Hostetler, Accompanist **WELCOME** Aaron Barnhart, Worship Leader *CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 148 *HYMN #318 Joy to the world Sallie Page-Goertz CHILDREN'S TIME What child is this HYMN #215 OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 61:10-62:3 SIMEON AND ANNA TREASURE JESUS' BIRTH Luke 2:22-40 To us a Child of hope is born HYMN #189 WE TREASURE JESUS' BIRTH

First Coming by Madeleine L'Engle *Sharon's Christmas Prayer* by John Shea *Kneeling in Bethlehem* by Ann Weems

SUNG REFRAIN #172

SHARING JOY

SHARING CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE SUNG REFRAIN #212

OFFERING

*HYMN # 197

Angels we have heard on high

*SENDING FORTH**

- L1: When the star in the sky is gone,
- L2: When the Kings and Princes are home,
- L1: When the shepherds are back with their flocks,
- L2: The work of Christmas begins.

All: To find the lost, To heal the broken, To feed the hungry, To release the prisoner, To teach the nations, To bring Christ to all, To make music in the heart.

*POSTLUDE

* Please stand as you are able.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*. Songs designated "SJ" are in the green *Sing the Journey* hymnal.

**Howard Thurman

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.

We hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas. We look forward to another year of worshipping, serving and learning together. Joy to Rainbow! Joy to the World!

-Ruth Harder (Pastor), Rachel Hostetler (Community Service Coordinator), Roseann Penner Kaufman (Music Ministries Director), Ashton Wells (Office Manager), Jim Williams (Sexton), Renee Reimer (Youth Program Director)

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