

OLD UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

December 24, 2022

7:30 PM

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN "Angels We Have Heard on High" #132

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 9:2-7

FIRST NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Luke 2:1-7

SECOND NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Luke 2:8-20

CHOIR ANTHEM "The Father's Love"

SERMON "Kristen's Christmas"

*HYMN "O Little Town of Bethlehem" #141

EVENING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung to the tune of "Away in a Manger")

1. Our Father in heaven all praise to Your name!
Your kingdom among us, Your will done the same
By mortals and angels. Come, Lord, reign alone:
Oh, hear us and bless us from heaven's high throne.

2. The bread that we yearn for provide us each day;
As we forgive others, our sins take away;
In times of temptation, to lead us be near;
From evil deliver Your children most dear.

3. For Yours is the kingdom; o'er all things You reign.
And Yours is the power; all things You maintain.
To You be the glory, resounding again
From all of creation, forever! Amen.

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY #626

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN "A Communion Hymn for Christmas" #140

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*DISTRIBUTION OF THE FLAME

*PRAYER

*HYMN "Silent Night" #147

*BENEDICTION

EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES

POSTLUDE

(*) indicates those who are able should stand.



This evening's offering will support the ministry of the deacons. Your generous gifts at Christmas Eve and throughout the year enable the deacons to serve people in need in our community and church by...

- donating money & food to the Evans City Food Cupboard,
- assisting families in need,
- serving funeral luncheons,
- providing flowers and memorial gifts for bereaved families,
- visiting the homebound,
- leading our support of local ministries and agencies,
- sending care packages to college students, and
- organizing Christmas caroling to the elderly and shut-ins.



Participants in this evening's service:

Advent Candles: Ruth G. and Lorene W.

Scripture Readers: Gloria Utz

Becky M.

Dina B.



In order to avoid spilling hot wax when passing the flame for the candle-lighting, please keep the lighted candle upright, and dip the unlit candle to receive the flame.