



THE WONDER AT THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS:



A SERVICE OF CAROLS AND CANDLELIGHT

WESTDALE REFORMED CHURCH

December 24, 2010, 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP

* Hymn #255 "Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming"

* PROCLAIMING GOD'S GLORY

CHRISTMAS EVE PRAYERS

READING ONE: Once in a time

READING TWO: The prophets

Hymn #244 "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

REFLECTION ONE

READING THREE: God's Messengers

REFLECTION TWO

* Hymn #286 "Once in Royal David's City"

READING FOUR: Mary and Joseph's secret

Ministry in music: "Labour of Love"

REFLECTION THREE

READING FIVE: The Shepherds' News

Scripture: Luke 2:8-20

Message: "Good News to Whom?"

Hymn #281 "What Child is This?"

REFLECTION FOUR

Ministry in Music: "What Shall I Give Him/Jesus Paid it All"

Lighting of the Christ Candle

READING SIX: The Light who is our light

* Hymn #253 "Silent Night"

(As the organist plays "Silent Night," please tip your candle to light it and then light the candle of the person next to you. We ask you then to leave the pew and go to stand along one of the walls. When Pastor Stan instructs, we will begin singing all 3 verses of "Silent Night." Our goal is to surround the Christ Candle, filling the sanctuary with light as we sing. Thus will we symbolize our focus on Christ and our unity in His light.)

*THE BENEDICTION

We are so glad you came tonight to worship and rejoice in the Wonder of Christmas. Join us tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. for Christmas Day worship. We invite you to join us this Sunday and on Sundays in the New Year for worship at 10:00 a.m. May you live in the grace of Jesus Christ, our Light, in this season and in 2011!

Leading Us in Worship:

Readers: Betty Devries, David Imiolo, Tessa Slote, John VanWyngaarden, Yvonne VanWyngaarden

Characters in the First Christmas Story:

Prophet: Markus Hebblethwaite
Mary: Laurel Seagren
Angel: Bart Strong
Joe: Mike Boesveld
Shepherd: Kyle Slote

Ministering in Music:

Jay Pluim
Klaas, Anne, Cindy and Karen Detmar

Organist: Neil Vanderkruk

Preaching: Pastor Stan Seagren

Audio System: Rob Godwaldt

Multi-media: Christine Strong/Sam Huisman

Greeters: John & Kelly Turkstra & family

Nursery Attendants: Lori Swackhammer, Jenny Coyne, Derek Hambly



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