**Worship with Children’s Pageant** 4:00 p.m.

**Prelude**  
*Noël*  
Jean-Jacques Beauvarlet Charpentier

**Introit**  
“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”  
A. E. Rusbridge

**Processional**  
“On This Day Earth Shall Ring”  
Gustav Holst

**Call to Worship**

Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth, peace among those whom God favors. There’s a song in the air. Will you sing it?

People: **Let us sing to the Lord a new song.**
Leader: There’s a star in the sky. Will you follow it?
People: **Let us abandon our darkness and embrace the light.**
Leader: There’s a mother’s deep prayer. Will you breathe it?
People: **Let us repent our shallowness and ponder his coming.**
Leader: And a baby’s low cry. Will you adore him?
People: **Let us worship the Lord Jesus Christ.**

*CAROL 31*  
“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”  
Tune: Mendelssohn

**First Lesson**  
Luke 1:26–33, 38  
(page 53, N.T.)

**Mary Sings**  
Magnificat  
C. Winfred Douglas

**Anthem**  
“The Angel Gabriel”  
John Raymond Howell

**Second Lesson**  
Luke 2:1–7  
(page 54, N.T.)

**Carol 25**  
“Away in a Manger”  
Tune: Mueller  
*(Congregation remains seated)*

**Third Lesson**  
Luke 2:8  
(page 54, N.T.)

**Anthem**  
“Angels Carol”  
John Rutter

**Fourth Lesson**  
Luke 2:9–14  
(page 54, N.T.)

**Anthem**  
“Angels We Have Heard on High”  
Edward S. Barnes

**Fifth Lesson**  
Luke 2:15–20  
(page 55, N.T.)

**Anthem**  
“Still, Still, Still”  
Norman Luboff

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*Stand as you are able.*
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**PRAYER OF PREPARATION**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**  (traditional)  (page 16, The Hymnal)

**ACT OF DEDICATION**

**SPREADING THE LIGHT**  (Congregation remains seated)

**SONGS OF PRAISE**  (Congregation remains seated)

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by. Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light; the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

Angels we have heard on high, Sweetly singing o’er the plains, And the mountains in reply Echoing their joyous strains. Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright, round yon virgin mother and child! Holy Infant, so tender and mild, sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace. 

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight, glories stream from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing: ”Alleluia; Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.”

**SILENCE**  (Please extinguish your candle prior to the carol.)

**CAROL 40**  “Joy to the World!”  **Tune:** Antioch

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**  Noël  **Malcolm Archer**
**Family Worship**

6:00 p.m.

*The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.*

**Prelude**

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**Introit**

“On Christmas Night”  
*Philip Ledger*

**Opening Responses**

Minister: The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.
People: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace.**

Minister: Born in humility, Christ came to rule over all.
People: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace.**

Minister: Helpless as an infant, he showed the power of God’s love.
People: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace.**

Minister: Poor in the things of the world, he brought the wealth of God’s grace.
People: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace.**

Minister: The Light of the world has come: Mighty God, Everlasting Lord, Wonderful Counselor, Prince of Peace.
People: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace.**

*Carol 41*  
“O Come, All Ye Faithful”  
*Tune: Adeste Fideles*

**A Story for Christmas**

*Carol 29*  
“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”  
*Tune: Go Tell It*

**The Story of Jesus’ Birth**

Luke 2:1–20  
(page 54, N.T.)

*Carol 31*  
“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”  
*Tune: Mendelssohn*

**Meditation**

**Born in Us Today**  
by John W. Vest

*Carol 44*  
“O Little Town of Bethlehem”  
*Tune: St. Louis*

**Prayer**

**Offering**

**Offertory Anthem**  
Noël       
*Carl Schalk*

**Spreading the Light**

“Silent Night”  
(Words printed on the back of the bulletin)

*Stand as you are able.*
UNISON PRAYER

This night, O God, the soles of your feet have touched the earth. This night, O God, the back street and the forgotten place have been lit up with significance. This night, O God, the households of earth welcome the King of Heaven. For you have crept in beside us; you have come among us; you are one of us. So may our songs rise to your throne as our knees bend at your cradle. Amen.

*CAROL 40

“Joy to the World!”

Tune: Antioch

Benediction

POSTLUDE

Noël

Malcolm Archer

4:00 Children’s Pageant

Donna Gray

Minister for Children and Families

Samuela Kosipa

Lille van der Zanden

Sarah A. Johnson

Minister for Congregational Care

The Cherub, Children’s, and Youth Choirs

Chris Pieper

Katy Sinclair

Harry Mobarak

Director of Music for Children and Youth

Jack Hallinan

John W. W. Sherer

Mallory Garfield

Organist and Director of Music

6:00 Family Service

John W. Vest

Associate Pastor

The Handbell Choir

Kerri N. Allen

Pastoral Resident

Thomas E. Gouwens

Matthew J. Helms

Pastoral Resident

Associate Organist and Handbell Director

The Chancel Choir

John W. W. Sherer

Organist and Director of Music

8:30 Service of Lessons and Carols

Adam H. Fronczek

Associate Pastor

Victoria G. Curtiss

Associate Pastor

Abigail Canfield

Member

Calum I. MacLeod

Executive Associate Pastor

John W. Vest

Associate Pastor

Matthew J. Helms

Pastoral Resident

Kerri N. Allen

Pastoral Resident

Sarah A. Johnson

Minister for Congregational Care

The Morning Choir and Tower Brass

Gillian Hollis

Soloist

John H. Boyle

Parish Associate

John W. W. Sherer

Organist and Director of Music

Joyce Shin

Associate Pastor

Thomas E. Gouwens

Associate Organist

John Buchanan

Pastor

Matthew Comerford

Artistic Director of Tower Brass

11:00 Service of Lessons and Carols

Adam H. Fronczek

Associate Pastor

Matthew J. Helms

Pastoral Resident

Kathy Kidder

Member

Victoria G. Curtiss

Associate Pastor

John W. Vest

Associate Pastor

Calum I. MacLeod

Executive Associate Pastor

Chris Pieper

Member

Sarah A. Johnson

Minister for Congregational Care

Jo Preuninger

Interim Director for Evangelism

The Morning Choir and Tower Brass

Gillian Hollis

Soloist

Thomas C. Rook

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**Introit**

“Away in a Manger”

David Willcocks

**Call to Worship and Invocation**

*Carol 49

“Once in Royal David’s City”

Tune: Irby

*Prayer for Christmas Eve*

Leader: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth.

People: 

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to all people on earth. Alleluia!**

All: 

**Good and gracious God, on this holy night you gave us your Son, the Lord of the universe, wrapped in swaddling clothes, the Savior of all, lying in a manger. On this holy night draw us into the mystery of your love. Join our voices with the heavenly host, that we may sing your glory on high. Give us a place among the shepherds, that we may find the one for whom we have waited, Jesus Christ, the Messiah and Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

**Lesson**

Isaiah 9:2–7  
(page 600, O.T.)

**Anthem**

“The Holly and the Ivy”  
John Rutter

**Lesson**

Psalm 98  
(page 521, O.T.)

*Carol 41

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”  
Tune: Adeste Fideles

**Lesson**

Luke 1:26–35, 38  
(page 53, N.T.)
Anthem

“Joys Seven”  
Stephen Cleobury

Lesson

Luke 2:1–12  
(page 54, N.T.)

*Carol 44

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”  
Tune: St. Louis

Lesson

Luke 2:13–20  
(page 55, N.T.)

Sermon

by John Buchanan

*Carol 23

“Angels We Have Heard on High”  
Tune: Gloria

Lesson

1 John 4:7–9, 16b  
(page 226, N.T.)

Prayer

Offering

Offertory Anthem

“What Sweeter Music”  
John Rutter

Lesson

John 1:1–5  
(page 86, N.T.)

Spreading the Light

“Silent Night”  
Tune: Stille Nacht

(Words printed on the back of the bulletin)

*Unison Prayer

Great God, as you came at night when all was still,  
so enter our lives this night. Illumine our paths with the  
light of Christ’s presence, that we may clearly see the way  
before us, the truth to speak, and the life to live for him,  
our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in  
the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
Amen.

*Carol 40

“Joy to the World!”  
Tune: Antioch

Benediction

Closing Response

Postlude

Go Tell It on the Mountain  
Aaron David Miller

Gifts of socks, known as “White Gifts” from the tradition of wrapping them in plain  
white paper, are being collected in baskets in the Narthex, at the back of the sanctuary, at the 6:00, 8:30, and 11:00 services. At 4:00, they are presented as part of the service.

The “Light Up a Life” year-end giving campaign supports congregational programs; mission and community outreach, including Chicago Lights programs; and denominational programs. Gifts can be made using the offering envelopes in the pew racks or by writing “Light Up a Life” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church. Details about this campaign can be found in the literature racks.
Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon virgin mother and child! Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar; heav’nly hosts sing: “Alleluia;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.”

Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love’s pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Silent night, holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

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