

# Wesley Park United Methodist Church

Christmas Eve

11 pm - December 24, 2018

## We Gather Together

Prelude

\*Call to Worship

One: Welcome into the Peace Light of Jesus Christ,  
the Savior of the whole world!

All: **We thank God for this gift from heaven.**

One: God of glory, your splendor shines from a manger in  
Bethlehem, where the Light of the world is humbly born  
into the darkness of human night.

All: **Open our hearts to Christ's presence in the shadows of our  
world, so that we, like him, may become beacons of your  
justice, and defenders of all for whom there is no room. Amen.**

\*Carol #234 verses 1, 3, 5, 6

Peace Light Reflection and Celebration

**O Come, All Ye Faithful**

Max Gibbard

## Lessons and Carols

Lesson

Isaiah 52:7-10

Carol #230

**O Little Town of Bethlehem**

Lesson

Psalms 98

Carol #238

**Angels We Have Heard on High**

Lesson

Hebrews 1:1-4

Carol #229

**Infant Holy, Infant Lowly**

Lesson

John 1:1-14

Gift of Music

**O Holy Night**

Message

Rev. Dean N. Prentiss

## We Respond to the Word

Carol #242

Offering Our Gifts

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Stewardship Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving

Receiving the Bread and Cup

*All who seek to grow in the life and love of Jesus Christ are  
welcome to receive Holy Communion tonight. Please come  
forward by the center aisle. Take a piece of bread and dip it into  
the cup. Individual cups, and gluten-free bread, are also available  
for any who would choose. During this time of Holy Communion,  
let us pray and sing together.*

#245 **The First Noel**

#237 **Sing We Now Of Christmas**

#228 **He Is Born**

\*Prayer After Receiving

## We Enter Into the Light

*May each candle here and everywhere be a prayer for hope, love, joy,  
and peace. This is the Light from the Church of the Nativity. May the light  
remind us all of the presence of Christ. As you light your candle, please  
be careful of the flame and the wax. Remember only to tilt the unlit  
candle, and be careful of those around you. Please place your candle in  
the baskets by the sanctuary doors at the conclusion of the service, and  
carry the light of Christ in your heart wherever you may go.*

Carol and the Light

#239 **Silent Night**

#246 **Joy to the World**

Benediction

Postlude

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*\*Please stand as you are able or comfortable.*

Our Mission is to build a Christian community with all people.

Our vision: by 2018, Wesley Park will strive to inspire from the youngest to the oldest and everybody in between to live out the greatest commandment: to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself.

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**11:00 PM Worship Servants:**

☀ **Liturgists:** Barb DeCan and Jane Johnson

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