

Destroying the Works of the Devil

Behind the Scenes

THE REASON THE SON OF GOD APPEARED WAS TO
DESTROY THE WORKS OF THE DEVIL. 1 JOHN 3:8

JOHN 1:1-18

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Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 24, 2024

5:00pm

Prelude:

Mim Ernst

Welcome/Call to Worship

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Joyful Voices Choir

Pam, Jared and Katie Kruger

Opening Prayer

"Far as the Curse is Found"

Scripture Reading

Genesis 3:17-19

Carol:

"Joy to the World"

"Born to Raise the Sons of Earth"

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 15:50-57

Carol:

"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

"What I Have I'll Give Him"

Scripture Reading

Joel 2:12-13

Carol:

"In the Bleak Midwinter"

Scripture Reading

John 1:1-4; Isaiah 40:12

Meditation

"He Became Small"

Carol:

O Come, O Come Immanuel"

"The Everlasting Light"

Scripture Reading

John 1:4-5, 9-10

Carol:

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

"The Dawn of Redeeming Grace"

Scripture Reading

Matthew 1:20-21

Carol:

"Silent Night"

Joyful Voices Choir and Congregation

Passing of the candlelight from Readers to Congregation

(Please keep the lit candle upright and only tip the
NON-LIT Candle to meet the flame of the lit candle)

God's Parting Blessing



Thank you to the Joyful Voices Choir for their special music, the Kruger family for leading the Advent Candle lighting, those who read scripture and lead singing, as well as those who greeted you at the door.

Offering collected tonight will be split equally between BEECIN Hospice, Family Crisis Center and Upper Des Moines.

May the peace and joy of this Christmas season fill your hearts and homes with the love of God tonight and in the year to come.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas!!

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In the Bleak Midwinter

Christina G. Rosselli, 1830-1894, alt.

CRANHAM *Irregular*
Gustav T. Holst, 1874-1934

1 In the bleak mid - win - ter, Frost - y wind made moan,
2 Our God, heaven can - not hold him, Nor earth sus - tain;
3 An - gels and arch - an - gels May have gath - ered there,
4 What can I give him, Poor as I am?

Earth stood hard as i - ron, Wa - ter like a stone;
Heaven and earth shall flee a - way When he comes to reign;
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim Throng - ed the air;
If I were a shep - herd, I would bring a lamb;

Snow had fall - en, snow on snow, Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid - win - ter A sta - ble place suf - ficed The
But his moth - er on - ly, In her maid - en bliss,
If I were a wise man, I would do my part; Yet

In the bleak mid - win - ter, Long a - go.
Lord God al - might - y, Je - sus Christ.
Wor - shipped the be - lov - ed With a kiss.
what I can I give him - Give my heart.