

Centennial United Church, Stayner

Wednesday December 24th, 2025

Christmas Eve Service

“Ring the Bells of Christmas”

Worship Leader: Jennifer Irving

Music Leaders: Megan Arksey & June Flynn



Words of Wisdom: *“The story of Christmas
is the story of God’s relentless love for us.”*

~ Max Lucado

Ring the Bells of Christmas

Gathering Music

Greeting

One: (bell) Hear ye! Hear ye! (bell)

What is the good news of this night?

ALL: Jesus is born! Thanks be to God! (bell)

Hymn VU #60 “O Come, All Ye Faithful” (vs. 1, 3, 4)

Ring the Bell of Hope

One: (bell) Hear ye! Hear ye! (bell) This is the good news!

Jesus Christ was born to bring us hope!

ALL: Jesus is born! Thanks be to God! (bell)

A Story of Hope (The Advent Candle of Hope is Lit)

Hymn VU #69 “Away in a Manger”

Ring the Bell of Peace

One: (bell) Hear ye! Hear ye! (bell) This is the good news!

Jesus Christ was born to bring us peace!

ALL: Jesus is born! Thanks be to God! (bell)

A Story of Peace (The Advent Candle of Peace is lit)

Choir Anthem “No Obvious Angels”

Ring the Bell of Joy

One: (bell) Hear ye! Hear ye! (bell) This is the good news!
Jesus Christ was born to bring us joy!

ALL: Jesus is born! Thanks be to God! (bell)

A Story of Joy (*The Advent Candle of Joy is lit*)

Hymn VU #59 “Joy to the World”

Ring the Bell of Love

One: (bell) Hear ye! Hear ye! (bell) This is the good news!
Jesus Christ was born to bring us love!

ALL: Jesus is born! Thanks be to God! (bell)

A Story of Love (*The Advent Candle of Love is lit*)

Hymn VU #46 “Gentle Mary Laid Her Child” (tune: *Good King Wenceslas*)

Ring the Bell of Christ!

One: (bell) Hear ye! Hear ye! (bell) This is the good news!
Jesus Christ was born to bring us God!

ALL: Jesus is born! Thanks be to God! (bell)

Scripture: Luke 2:1-7

Lighting of the Christ Candle

One: (bell) Hear ye! Hear ye! (bell) This is good news.
We know Jesus is born.

ALL: We light the Christ Candle remembering God’s gift of Jesus.

One: Jesus to walk with us through life.

ALL: Jesus to share God’s love with us.

One: Jesus to teach us of God’s ways.

ALL: Thanks be to God for Jesus. (bell is rung, *Christ Candle is lit*)

Ring the Bell of Christmas!

Offering

One: (bell) Hear ye! Hear ye! (bell) We have heard the good news!
Now let us offer the gifts of our hearts, hands, and lives in
celebration of the news that Jesus Christ is born!

ALL: Jesus is Born! Thanks be to God!

Offertory Hymn VU #74 “What Child Is This” (vs. 3)

A Christmas Prayer of Dedication

We Go Forth to Be a Blessing

Hymn VU #67 “Silent Night”

Sending Forth and Blessing

One: (bell) Hear ye! Hear ye! (bell)

As we journey into the joy that is this holy night,
let us celebrate the good news.

ALL: Jesus is born! Thanks be to God! (bell)

Sung Blessing VU #43 “Go, Tell it On the Mountain” (refrain)

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere.

Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

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Thank you for worshipping with us this afternoon online & in person

Please join us following the service in the CE Hall for Christmas Pudding

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and Megan Arksey for her beautiful musical accompaniment.*

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reading stories and light candles.*

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