

## **Thank you, LOGOS Partcipants!**

Children and youth in our LOGOS program are providing leadership and musical offerings during our Christmas Eve service. The LOGOS program is a mid-week inter-generational experience for children and youth. LOGOS can be found in churches all over the US and Canada under the umbrella of GenOn Ministries (www.genonministries.org).

Every Wednesday from October through March, about 165 children and adults gather here at CMPC to share a meal together (Family Time), study scripture (Bible Time), sing in choirs and prepare other offerings for our Worship Service (Worship Arts), and play (Recreation). Our age designations for the various children and youth groups are as follows:

- BUGS (preschool) Bringing Up God's Servants
  - FROG (elementary) Fully Rely on God
- ROCK (middle school) Reaching Out for Christ's Kingdom
  - FISH (high school) Fellowship in Senior High

CMPC has enjoyed an active LOGOS program now for 29 years. Contact our Director, Carrie Jenkins at logos@cmpcusa.org or visit www.cmpcusa.org/logos to learn more!

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5 PM CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2016 CHRIST MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Jesus Jesus Rest Your Head **ROCK Bell Choir** 

Adore

arr. C. Moklebust

arr. Chris Tomlin

arr. C. Eaton

arr. J. Raney

**Welcome and Announcements** 

**Lighting of the Christ Candle** 

FISH Youth

Away in a Manger Response

**BUGS Choir** 

Passing of the Peace (L: Leader; P: People)

The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

\*\*Call to Worship

\*\***Hymn –** 133

**Processional** 

L: All God's people—Boys and girls, women, men:

P: Come and worship!

L: Shepherds, Magi, saints, and angels:

P: Come and worship! Come and worship!

L: All who need the Savior, all who long for comfort:

P: Come and worship, come and worship Christ, the newborn King!

\*\*Common Prayer of Confession

\*\*Silent Prayer of Confession

When we allow darkness to overcome the light, forgive us, Lord. When we reduce Christmas to plastic and tinsel, have mercy on us, Father. When hardness of heart keeps us from seeing and hearing and touching, let your grace consume us, O God. When the wars around us are of no concern, forgive us, Lord, and move us to compassion for those who suffer. When our caring is not extended to action, move us to seek justice for our brothers and sisters. We come to confess our sinfulness before you and before each other. We are but dust without your love. Remove all barriers that divide us, and let there be no obstacle to our love for you and for one another. Amen.

O Come, All Ye Faithful

\*\*Assurance of Pardon

L: Friends, this is the Good News of the Gospel...

P: ...in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

**Special Music** A Star, A Song, A Sign

**FROG Choir** 

**The Christmas Story** – A Participatory Retelling

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear **Special Music** 

**FISH Choir** 

Homily Rev. Scott Hoffman

Joy to the World! \*\***Hymn** – 134

**Invitation to Offering** 

The Band

This evening, along with our regular offering, we will collect the Christmas Joy offering—one of the special offerings of the PC(USA). The monies collected as part of the Christmas Joy offering will be used to provide financial assistance to current and former church workers and their families as well as to enable deserving students to attend Presbyterian-related racial ethnic colleges and schools. If you wish to give to the Christmas Joy offering please place your donation in the envelope included in the bulletin.

\*\***Doxology** (see insert) Doxology

Christmas Prayer with The Lord's Prayer (using "debts")

**Special Music** Breath of Heaven

> Ashlee Hoffman, voice Laura Yawney, oboe

**Lighting of the Candles (seated)** 

The Christ candle represents Jesus, the Light of the world. The candle lighting ceremony is symbolic of the spreading of the Gospel Light from one life to another. The lighted candle is never tilted, but always held upright when giving light to another. The candles of the congregation should be extinguished after the last stanza of Silent Night.

**Hymn** – 122 (seated) Silent Night

> Silent night, holy night! 3. Silent Night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright, Son of God, love's pure light Round yon virgin mother and child! Radiant beams from Thy holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace, Holy Infant, so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, *Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,* Sleep in heavenly peace. *Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.*

Silent Night, holy night! 4. Silent Night, holy night! *Shepherds quake at the sight,* Wondrous star, lend thy light; Glories stream from heaven afar, With the angels let us sing, Heavenly hosts sing: "Alleluia; "Alleluia to our King; Christ the Savior is born. Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born." Christ the Savior is born."

Benediction

**Brad Nix** 

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing **Postlude** 

Thank you to Allen Exner for operating the sound board this evening!

Jennifer Seinfeld and Lorri Yawney