

MORNING WORSHIP
Lesson and Carols Service

December 13, 2009
9:30 A.M.

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn: *O Come, All Ye Faithful* - insert
Congregation Sings Stanzas 1, 2 & 4 (Stanza 3: Choir only)

Opening Prayer

1st Lesson - Genesis 3:8-15

Adam and Eve rebel against God.

Carol - *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* - sung by the choir

2nd Lesson - Genesis 22:15-18

God promises to faithful Abraham that his descendants
will be a blessing to all the nations of the earth.

Carol - *The God of Abr'am Praise* - insert

3rd Lesson - Isaiah 9:2, 6, 7

Christ's birth and rule of peace and justice are foretold by Isaiah.

Carol - *Comfort, Comfort, O My People* - sung by the choir

4th Lesson - Isaiah 11:1-4a, 6-9

The peace that Christ will bring is foreshown.

Carol - *Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming* - sung by the choir

5th Lesson - Luke 1:26-35, 38

The angel Gabriel announces to Mary
that she will be the mother of Jesus.

Carol - *Breath of Heaven (Mary's Song)* - sung by the choir

6th Lesson - Matthew 1:18-23

Matthew tells of the birth of Jesus.

Meditation: **Immanuel - God With Us**

Carol - *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice* - insert

Congregation Sings Stanzas 1 & 3 (Stanza 2 by Choir only)

Morning Prayer

Offering

Offertory - *What Child Is This* - piano duet

7th Lesson - Luke 2:8-16

The shepherds go to Bethlehem.

Carol - *Angels We Have Heard on High* - insert

Congregation sings stanzas 1 and 3 (Stanza 2: Choir only)

8th Lesson - Matthew 2:1-11

The wise men are led by the star to Jesus.

Carol - *One Small Child* - sung by the choir

9th Lesson - John 1:1-14

John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation

Carol - *Joy to the World* - Psalter Hymnal #337

Congregation sings stanzas 1, 2, and 4

(Choral Interlude between Stanzas 2 and 4)

Closing Prayer

Benediction

Postlude

Organ/Piano: Char Verkade