

Grove Presbyterian Church

Service of Worship First Day of Christmastide

10:15 AM

December 25, 2016

Announcements and Passing of the Peace

Musical Prelude

Invitation to Worship

Luke 2: 36-38

Choral Beginning

“Christmas Bells Are Ringing”

*We Sing Together

Hymnbook No. 40

“Joy to the World”

Litany for Christmas

Leader: *The Word was made flesh.*

People: Alleluia, alleluia!

Leader: *and dwelt among us.*

People: Alleluia, alleluia!

Leader: *Jesus, Son of the living God, splendor of the Father, light eternal:*

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: *Jesus king of glory, Sun of righteousness, born of the virgin Mary:*

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: *Jesus, wonderful counselor, mighty God, everlasting Lord:*

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: *Prince of peace, shepherd of souls, perfect in holiness:*

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: *Friend of all, protector of the poor, treasure of the faithful:*

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: *Good shepherd, inexhaustible wisdom, our way, our truth, and our life:*

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: *Jesus, joy of the angels, and crown of the saints:*

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

*Response

Hymnbook No. 40

*He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love, And wonders of His love.*

Offertory

by Hayes

“Masters in This Hall”

Carol of Dedication

Hymnbook No. 48

“Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming”

Scripture

Luke 22: 14-27

Reflection

“Who Is Greater?”

Musical Offering

“Good Christian Men, Rejoice, Rejoice”

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Lighting of the Christmas Candle

Leader: *The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.*

People: Jesus said: I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life.

*Carol

Hymnbook No. 29

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

Reading

“How the Grinch Stole Christmas”

*Blessing

Philippians 1: 3-11

*Response

*Musical Postlude

arranged by Swann

“Adeste Fideles”

*Please rise as able

Participants in today's service include Bryan L. Holmes (Worship Leader), Senior Choir (musical offering), Joy Christian (Organist), and Robert J. Andrews, Pastor (reflection).