

# NEW COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN

Christmas Eve Service

Monday, December 24, 2019

4:30 pm

## Welcome

*Congregation asked to stand if able when indicated by \**

## Prelude

## \*Call to Worship

Isaiah 9:1-7

*Leader: The people who have walked in darkness have seen a great light!*

**People: They will rejoice before the Lord, their light, as joy before the harvest.**

*Leader: For unto us a child is born,*

**People: To us a Son is given.**

**All: His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor,  
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

## \*Hymns of Adoration

**#214** "Angels We Have Heard on High" *(Gloria)*

**#194** "O Come, All Ye Faithful" *(Adeste Fideles)*

## Lighting of the Advent Candle

Charlotte Britt

## Hymn of Preparation #234

*(Story of Jesus)*

"Tell Me the Story of Jesus"

## \*Reading of Scripture

John 1:14 (HCSB)  
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## Prayer for Illumination

## Sermon

"A Unique Night"

## Communion Hymn #213 (vs. 1-2)

*(Greensleeves)*

"What Child Is This"

## Celebration of the Lord's Supper

## Communion Hymn #213 (vs. 3)

*(Greensleeves)*

"What Child Is This"

## Special Music

"O Holy Night"

*Burnley Cook, piano; Roberta Duhs, soprano*

## \*Benediction

Hebrews 13:20-21

## \*Closing Hymn #210

*(Stille Nacht)*

"Silent Night! Holy Night!"

## Postlude

*Nursery is provided tonight in Decker Hall for children under 5 years old.*

### *O Holy Night*

### *(literal English translation)*

*O holy night! The stars are brightly shining,  
It is the night of our dear Saviour's birth.  
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,  
Till He appear'd and the soul felt its worth.  
A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices,  
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.*

*Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices!  
O night divine, O night when Christ was born;  
O night divine, O night, O night Divine.*

*Led by the light of Faith serenely beaming,  
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand.  
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming,  
Here come the wise men from the Orient land.*

*The King of Kings lay thus in lowly manger;  
In all our trials born to be our friend.*

*He knows our need, to our weaknesses no stranger,  
Behold your King! Before Him lowly bend!*

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*Midnight, Christians, is the solemn hour,  
When God as man descended unto us  
To erase the stain of original sin  
And to end the wrath of His Father.  
The entire world thrills with hope  
On this night that gives it a Saviour.*

*People, kneel down, await your deliverance.  
Christmas, Christmas, here is the Redeemer,  
Christmas, Christmas, here is the Redeemer!*

*May the ardent light of our Faith  
Guide us all to the cradle of the infant,  
As in ancient times a brilliant star  
Guided the Oriental kings there.*

*The King of Kings was born in a humble manger;*

*O mighty ones of today, proud of your greatness,*

*It is to your pride that God preaches.*

*Bow your heads before the Redeemer!*

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<p><i>Truly He taught us to love one another; His law is love and His gospel is peace. Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother; And in His name all oppression shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we, Let all within us praise His holy name.</i></p> <p><i>Christ is the Lord! O praise His Name forever, His power and glory evermore proclaim. His power and glory evermore proclaim.</i></p>	<p><i>The Redeemer has broken every bond The Earth is free, and Heaven is open. He sees a brother where there was only a slave, Love unites those whom iron had chained. Who will tell Him of our gratitude,  For all of us He is born, He suffers and dies.</i></p> <p><i>People, stand up! Sing of your deliverance,  Christmas, Christmas, sing of the Redeemer, Christmas, Christmas, sing of the Redeemer!</i></p>
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*If you ordered poinsettias, please take them with you at  
the end of the service.*



**Church Leadership at New Covenant**

**Elder of the Month:** Tommy Ellett

*Ruling Elders (Session)* – Joseph Byrne, Tommy Ellett, Richard Griffing, Frank Heard

*Teaching Elder* – Reverend Seth Duhs

*Deacon (Diaconate)* – Sterling Dossett

*Treasurer* – Cathy Ellett

*Pianist* – Burnley Cook

*Nursery Coordinator* – Markeda Bateaste

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**Sermon audio is available on our website.**