

## Offering

Call to Give

Offertory

*Immanuel*  
Arranged by Michael Card

\*Offertory Prayer (in unison)

**Holy One,**

**In this holy time of waiting, may our giving be a sign of our desire to love as Jesus loved. Amen.**

## \*Doxology

## Communion

Invitation

Silent Reflection

Hymn *'like a child'* Chalice Hymnal #133 v1,3

Words of Institution, Prayer, and Lord's Prayer

**All: 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 forever. Amen.**

### Participation in Communion

*Disciples Christian Church practices open communion, meaning all are welcome at the table. You may choose communion by intinction (breaking a piece of bread from the loaf and dipping it in the chalice) or by individual bread and cup.*

## \*Closing Song

*Go Tell It on the Mountain*  
Chalice Hymnal #167 refrain 2x

## \*Benediction

## Postlude

*Angels We Have Heard on High*  
Arranged by Carol Tornquist



## Disciples Christian Church

Core Values

- Hospitality
- Spiritual Growth
- Justice through Service

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December 3, 2017

*\*Please rise as you are able*

### Chimes

### Welcome

### Prelude

*The First Noel*  
Arranged by Marilyn White

Brenda Lewis

### \*Call to Worship

Gordon Welch

One: We gather -  
people of faith and no faith,  
people of hope and no hope,  
people of peace and no peace.

We gather with the longing to be made whole again  
if just for this time, here and now.

**Many: We gather  
as ready as we'll ever be  
for this story of faith and love to unfold.**

**\*Opening Hymn**     *Christians All, Your Lord is Coming*  
Chalice Hymnal #136 v1,4

**\*Welcoming the Spirit** (in unison)

**God of Love,  
In Mary's anxious confusion, you gave her faith to believe, and the  
space to say, "Yes." Keep us alert for visiting angels, that we may  
hear and respond to your call. Amen.**

**\*Response**     *Gloria Patri*     Chalice Hymnal #36

### Advent Candle Lighting

Dianne and Allyson Crow

Child: What are these candles for?

Adult: These candles, placed on this wreath, remind us that God's love,  
like the circle of the wreath, is unbroken and never ends. Each Sunday,  
we will light a candle on the wreath.

Child: What is the point of doing this?

Adult: Because the old saying is true:  
What I hear, I forget.  
What I see, I remember.  
What I do, I understand.

In a world that can sometimes be dark and scary, we light our first  
candle, trusting that Christ's way is alive on earth and that God's  
Spirit lives among us.

Let us pray: **Living God,**

**May this light bring us together in the warmth of your love. Amen.**

### Children's Moment

**Anthem**     *Soon the Messiah Will Come*     Spirit Singers  
Arranged by Besig

### Prayer

Preparation     *Great Holy One*     on screen

Prayers of the People: Sharing Good News & Concerns  
(After each thanksgiving or petition, the minister says:  
"For \_\_\_\_\_, O Lord," and the congregation responds,  
"Hear our prayer.")

Pastoral Prayer

*Following the prayer, anyone wishing to do so is invited to  
come forward and light a candle for a personal joy or concern.*

**Sermon**     *Sacred Surprises—An Ordinary Mess*     Rev. Kelley Becker  
Luke 1:26-38

### Invitation

**\*Song**     *Awake! Awake and Greet the New Morn*  
Chalice Hymnal #138 v1,3