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*Newberg First Presbyterian Church*  
*Christmas Eve*

*December 24, 2019*

*7:00 P. M.*

**PRELUDE**

Away in a Manger

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

**We warmly welcome you to worship today! We are a Christ centered Church of Grace, Hope, and Love committed to mission in Newberg and throughout the world. May we all be refreshed as we worship the Living God.**

**INTROIT**

There's a Song in the Air!

**A PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS EVE**

Lory Albright

**With quietness, O God,  
our hearts stand near the simple stall where the Child is to be born.  
For a moment,  
the noise of the world is still and the joy of heaven is easily heard.  
Be with our worship tonight as the Great Mystery of the birth unfolds.  
Let us sense again the reality of the great promise.**

**"O Holy Child of Bethlehem  
Descend to us, we pray;  
Cast out our sin and enter in,  
Be born in us ...today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
The great glad tidings tell:  
O come to us, abide with us,  
Our Lord Emmanuel." Amen**

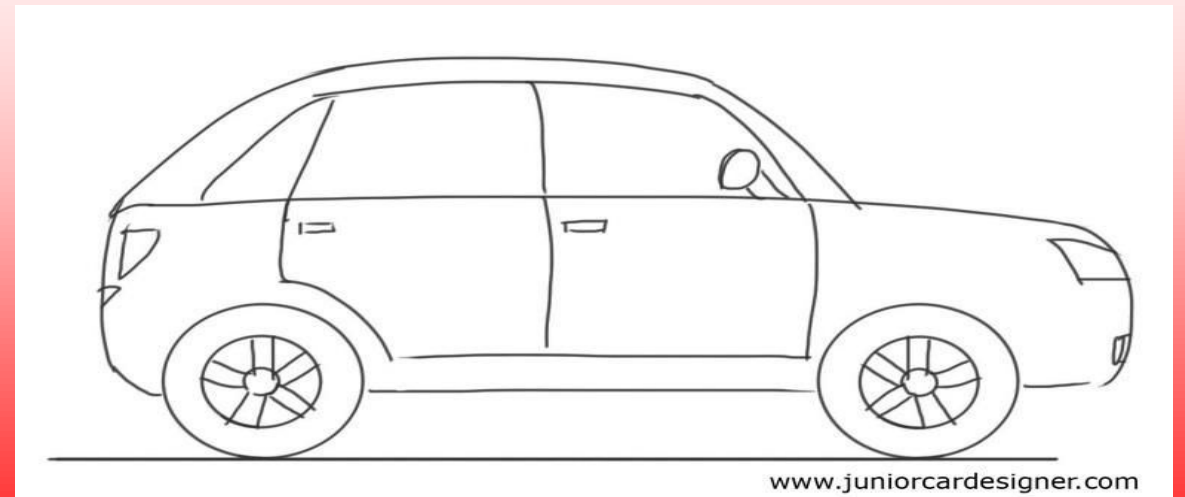
**\*Song No. 145**

**"O Come, All Ye Faithful"**

Chris Murphy

**Driving Directions**

1. Turn Left on North College Street
2. Turn Left onto East Edgewood Dr
3. Turn Right onto N Main Street  
- destination will be 279ft on the left hand side



## Join Us at the McCourts

We have all been invited to the McCourts after the service for fellowship, fun and board games.

Potato Bar is provided. Feel free to bring a Potluck item to share.

The McCourt's address is:  
3119 N Main St  
Newberg, Or 97132  
503-538-2042

### THE INVITATION TO WORSHIP GOD

Lory Albright

L: The wilderness shall be glad, and the desert shall blossom.

**C: And all flesh shall see God's majesty and glory.**

L: You with weak hands: God will strengthen you!

You who are fearful: God will give you heart!

**C: For behold, God is coming to save the faithful;  
and sorrow and sighing will pass away.**

L: Let us rejoice and sing! For our God comes in power and love.

**ALL: Together let us proclaim tidings of comfort and joy:**

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

### *I. The Promise of One to Come*

#### WE COMPLETE THE CIRCLE OF LIGHT

Words of Introduction

The Old Testament Prophecy of Immanuel  
The Prophet Isaiah, Chapter 7, verse 14

Karen Murphy

The Old Testament Prophecy of Anticipation  
The Prophet Isaiah, Chapter 11, verses 1-3

The Old Testament Prophecy of Fulfillment  
The Prophet Isaiah, Chapter 9, verses 2, 6-7

#### WE LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE

Albright/Swehla/Sahagian

#### CHORAL PIECE

"There Is A Child"

#### THE NEW TESTAMENT BIRTH NARRATIVE

Luke 1: 26-38

Diego Murphy-Mendez

## II. The Fulfillment: Emmanuel - God with us

### THE BIRTH OF JESUS

Luke 2: 8-14

Bruce Murphy

### \*HYMN No. 133

“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

*Green Hymnal*

### THE STORY OF THE FULFILLMENT FROM THE EVANGELIST

Luke 2:15-20

Chris Murphy

### MEDITATION: In Awe of Angels and A Baby

### \*HYMN No. 138

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

*Green Hymnal*

### A POEM

“Blessed Are You Who Bear the Light” by Jan Richardson

Diane Murphy

Blessed are you who bear the light  
in unbearable times,  
who testify to its endurance,  
amid the unendurable,  
who bear witness to its persistence  
when everything seems in shadow and grief.

Blessed are you in whom the light lives,  
in whom the brightness blazes-  
your heart a chapel  
an altar where in the deepest night  
can be seen the fire that  
shines forth in you in unaccountable faith  
in stubborn hope  
in love that illumines every broken thing it finds.

## III. We Extend the Light of Christ into our World

*You received a candle as you entered. Prior to singing “Silent Night” we will turn on our candles together.*

*During the third verse of Silent Night, we hold our candles high so that our light may be seen from afar. We fulfill the meaning of our worship as we carry Christ's light into the world.*

### \*THE CAROL No. 147

“Silent Night! Holy Night!”

*Green Hymnal*

1. **Silent Night, Holy Night.**  
All is calm, all is bright.  
Round yon virgin mother and Child,  
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.
2. **Silent Night! Holy Night!**  
Shepherds quake at the sight,  
Glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly  
hosts sing "Alleluia"  
Christ the Savior is born.
3. **Silent Night! Holy night!**  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face, With the  
dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth.

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### \*HYMN No. 125

“Joy to the World!”

*Green Hymnal*

### \*THE BENEDICTION

### THE POSTLUDE

“Angels From the Realms of Glory”